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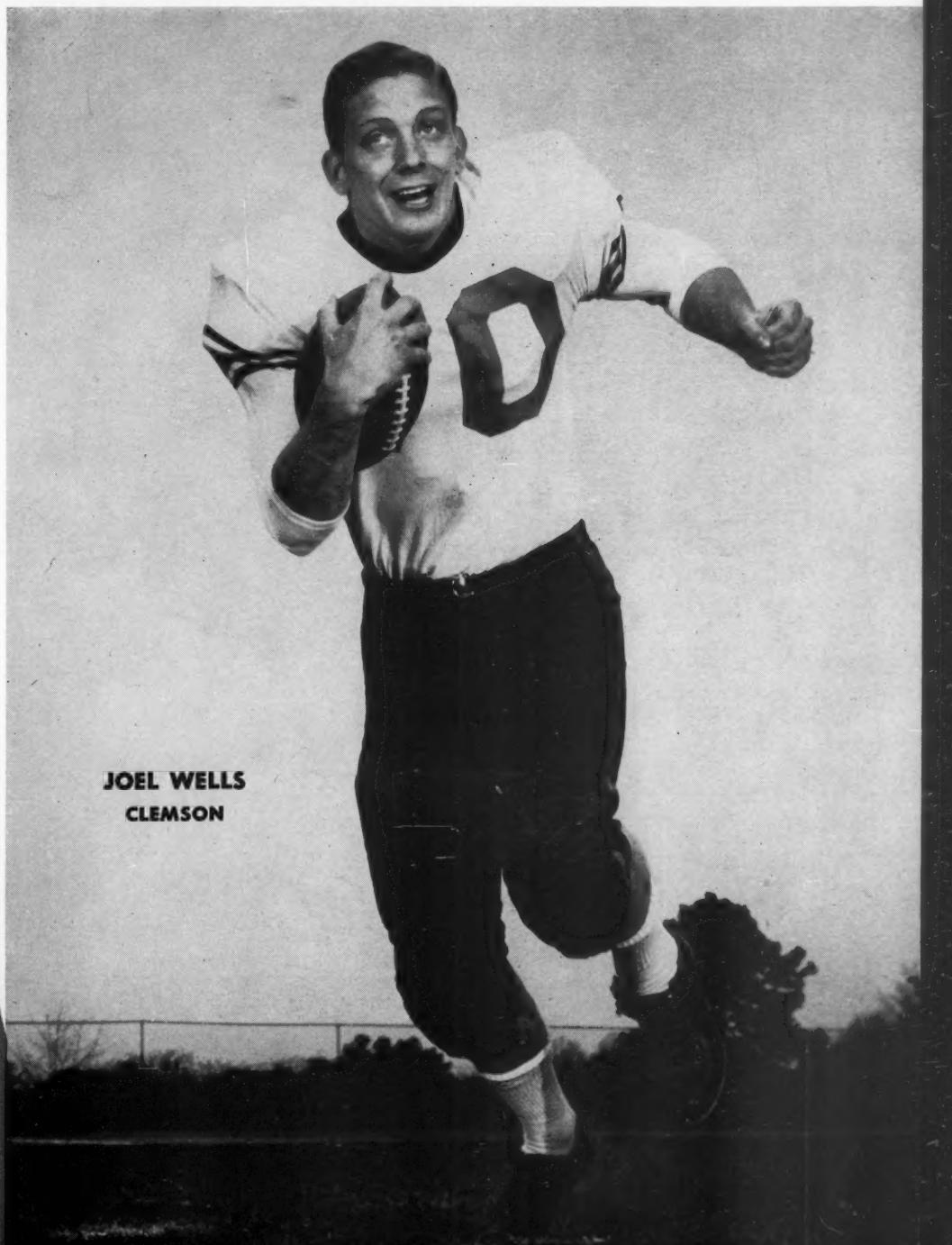
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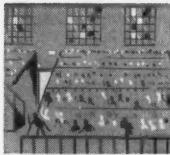
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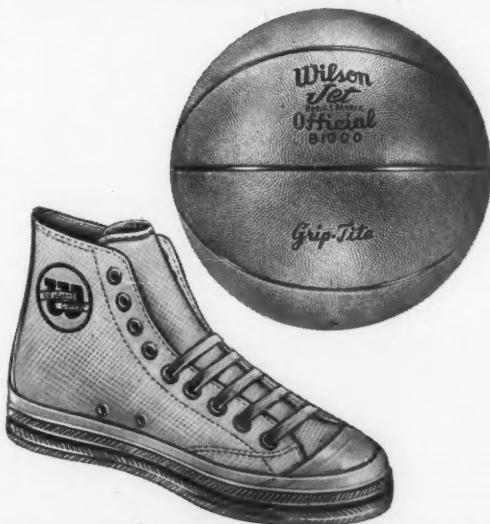
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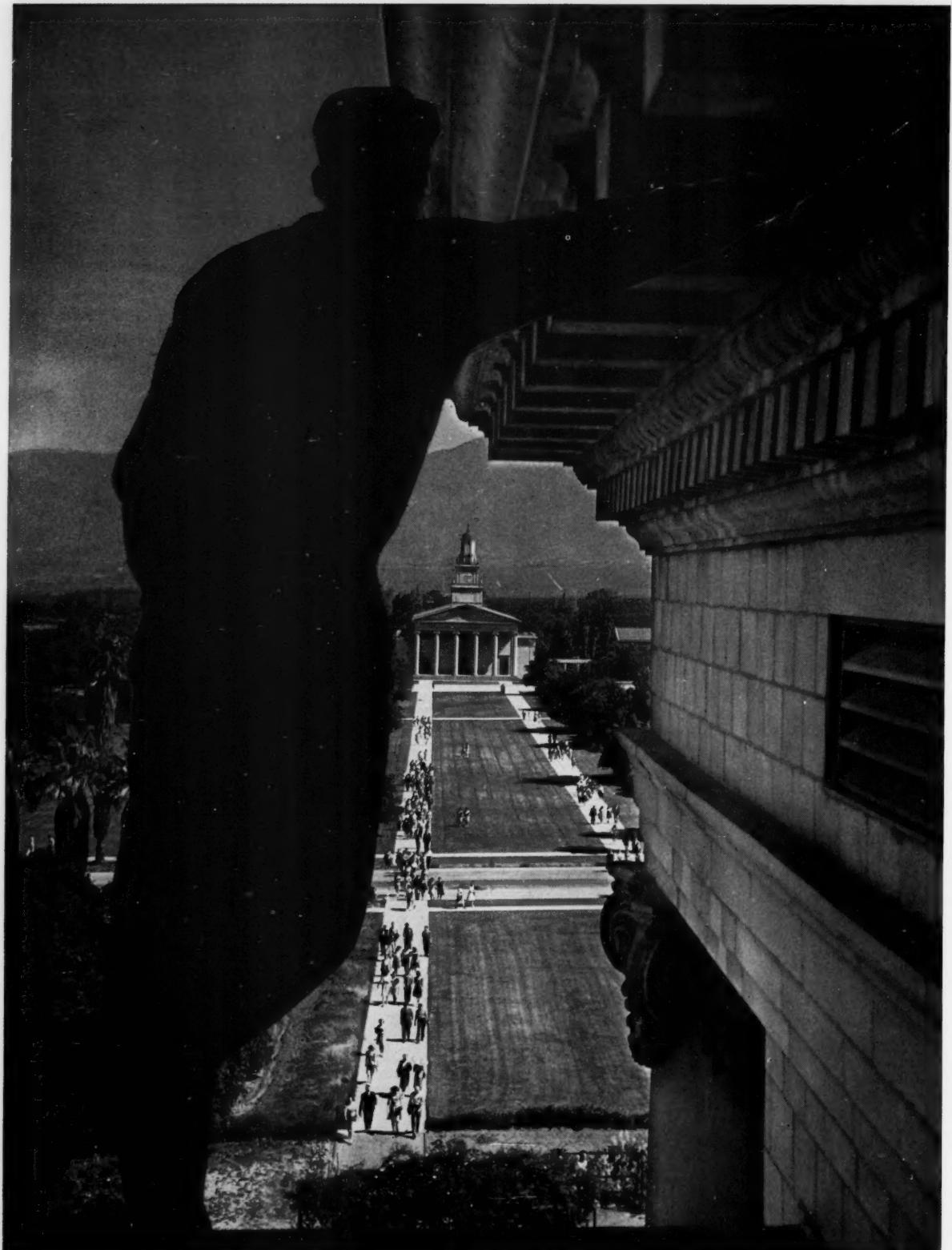


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CAMPUS CLOSE-UP



UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS

Redlands, California

By A. M. CARVAHAL



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THE UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS, now in its forty-ninth year, is located in the city of Redlands, California, 65 miles east of Los Angeles. Lying near the foothills of the San Bernardino range of mountains, the University is in the heart of the Citrus Belt of southern California.

This co-educational institution, with an enrollment of more than 1300 students and a teaching staff of 80, established classes in September, 1909, with a student body of 60 and a teaching staff of nine. From the more than 15,000 who have studied at the university, the qualified Alumni numbers 12,000 with a total of 5,115 degrees having been granted.

Authorization for its founding was given on December 7, 1906, at a meeting of the Southern California Baptist Convention in Los Angeles. The city of Redlands set aside forty acres for a campus, and citizens of Redlands contributed \$100,000.

Classes were held in the First Baptist Church of Redlands while awaiting completion of the first structure. This building, the present Administration Building, was completed in 1910. The home for the university president and Bekins Hall, a dormitory for women, also were erected the same year.

The campus is planned in the form of a rectangle, with the present Administration Building standing on a hill at the south end. At the present time there are 26 buildings, the most recent being Morton Anderson Hall, a dormitory for women, completed in 1955. New buildings and enlargements of older structures are being added through a long-term construction program. The campus has been expanded to encompass 100 acres.

East of the Administration Building on "Ad Hill," as it is known on the Campus, is the Hall of Letters and the president's home. On the west is the Science Building where the X-ray microscope, one of three in

the United States, is located. It is here where Professor William C. Nixon, English physicist from the Cavendish Laboratories of Cambridge University, England, is working with staff physicist Dr. Albert V. Baez during the spring semester 1955-56. Also in this building Gordon Dean, former head of the Atomic Energy Commission, received his college physics instruction.

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Fine Arts Building





Jacqueline Yates (left) and Arlene Brooks, physical education majors, have distinguished themselves as amateur golfers.

CAMPUS CLOSE-UPS

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South of the Administration Building is the Alumni Greek Theatre, Little Theatre, Department of Engineering, Science Alpha, and Science Beta buildings.

Across the length of the quadrangle stands the University Memorial Chapel which seats 1600, and contains a four-manual Casavant organ. East of the

Chapel lie the Fine Arts Building, and the University Commons. To the west is Robert Watchorn Hall, housing the School of Music. It has sound proof practice rooms, a recording studio, an auditorium seating 240, band and choral rehearsal rooms, private studios, and offices. In a quiet part of the campus north of Watchorn Hall, the university physician has his offices in the Infirmary building. Immediately west of Watchorn Hall is Anderson Hall which furnishes living quarters for 250 women students.

Facing east on the quadrangle are the University Library, Bekins Hall, Grossmont Hall, and Fairmont Hall, the latter three being women's dormitories. Facing west are the Student Union Building, California Hall, Cortner Hall, and Melrose Hall. The latter three are men's dormitories. The University Bookstore is housed in the Student Union Building. In the northeast corner of the campus is Veterans Village, a plot of 50 units for the living quarters of student veterans with their families.

Fraternity row faces the historic Zanja which flows along the southern boundary of the campus. The Zanja is a stream dug more than one hundred years ago by the Indians under the supervision of the early Franciscan Padres, to bring water from mountain springs for irrigation of orange groves in the valley.

ATHLETICS

The eastern section of the campus is confined to athletic facilities. Here are the Women's Athletic Field, two groups of Tennis Courts, Golf Greens, Freshman Athletic Field, Baseball Diamond, a Stadium seating 4,000, and Currier Gymnasium. The Stadium is equipped



CECIL A. CUSHMAN, after 32 years with the University of Redlands, retired as Head Coach last year and now serves as Faculty Manager of Athletics.

with lighting for night games and contains an oval four-lap track with a 220-yard straightway. Currier Gymnasium, 190 feet by 225 feet, contains classrooms, rooms for boxing and wrestling, gymnastics, weight training, two squash courts, dance studio, special rooms for majors, and a tile swimming pool 40 feet by 100 feet.

Participation in intercollegiate football began in 1910, under Coach Guy Jones. Conference Baseball competition began in 1914.

Inter-class Basketball was originated in 1916. The first men's Tennis Tournaments began in 1917. Also in 1917 the Women's Department of Athletics was established. In 1920 competition in Cross Country was established, and in 1921 Redlands participated in its first conference Swimming Meets.

Since 1934 Redlands has won the conference Tennis Championship each year with the exception of 1948 and 1949. In 1950 they were tied. No league competition was held in the war years of 1944 and 1945. From 1930 to 1948 Redlands held the Cross Country Conference Title.

John Raitt, singing star of stage and screen, still holds the University of Redlands Shot-put record of 49.9% made in 1938. He held the Southern California Conference Shot-put record of 49.4% until 1954.

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JAMES E. VERDIECK
Head Football Coach

lands won the NAIA Tennis Championship in 1953.

Ellis R. Davies, who has served with the Department of Athletics since 1928, is the present head of the Department. In addition to his duties at the University, he is interested in Wild Life Conservation, and has served with the California State Fish and Game Commission in various official capacities.

Cecil Alonzo Cushman, who has been affiliated with the University for thirty-two years, retired as Head Football Coach in 1954 and now serves as Faculty Manager of Athletics. Cushman has coached all sports. His teams have won more championships than any other coach in the conference league. The "Kicking Toe" and the "Cushman Cow" were invented and marketed by him. An expert wood carver, one of his wood carvings, an eight-foot creation, stands in General Grant National Park in the Sequoia region of California.

Head Football Coach **James E. Verdieck**, affiliated with the University in 1946. He also coaches Tennis. During World War II he served as a Pilot in the Marine Corps.

Ted Runner, head Track Coach, a Redlands alumnus, has been with the Athletic department since 1953. During World War II he served with the U. S. Army as Artillery Captain. Runner, who is an all-round coach serves as assistant football coach.

Head Basketball Coach, **Lee Fulmer**, also is a Redlands alumnus, having been an all-conference star as an un-



Administration Building
— Hall of Letters to left



ELLIS R. DAVIES
Head of Athletic Dept.

dergraduate. He assists with Baseball coaching. He served as a Bomber Pilot during World War II.

Swimming coach **Walter Anderson** is a member of the National Swimming Rules Committee.

Paul Taylor serves as Head Freshman Coach. With graduate assistants, freshman Football, Basketball, and Baseball are under his tutelage.

Each year the Football team plays four or five non-conference games, bringing the total number of games played during the season to an average of ten. In 1949 they played in the Pineapple Bowl in Hawaii. The Hawaiian newspapers acclaimed it as the most outstanding game ever played in the Islands.

In 1953 the team went to Mexico City, Mexico, where they played Mexico City college.

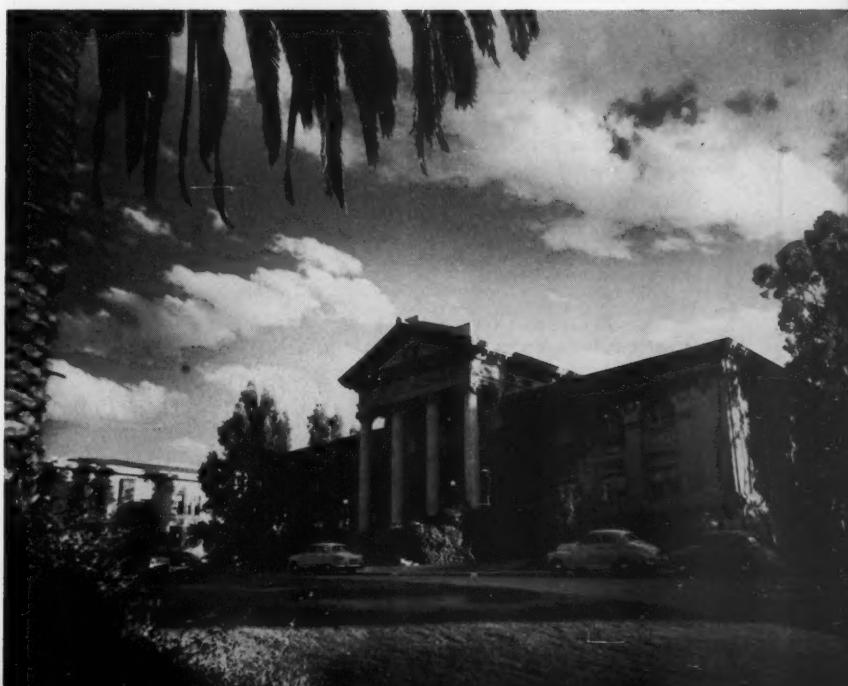


Fairmont Hall and Grossmont Hall,
women's dormitories.

The Women's Athletic department staffed by **Nadine Cragg**, **Dorothy Gorman**, and **Billie Ruth Mote**, became active in conference competition in October of 1955 when a Women's Tennis Conference was formed.

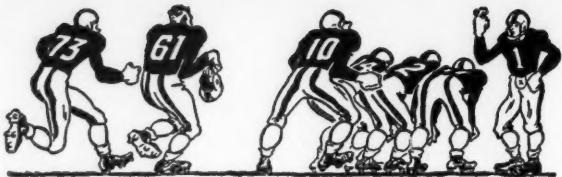
ARLENE BROOKS, a senior Physical Education major at Redlands, won the National Junior Championship in 1951 at Lake Forest, Illinois. The same year she was runner-up in the Women's Western Junior Championship at St. Charles, Illinois. She has won several times in smaller tournaments in the Junior Division.

JACQUELINE YATES, a sophomore Physical Education major, in 1955 won
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THE HUDDLE



By DWIGHT KEITH

Price Down at Texas

Ed PRICE, the gentleman who has herded the "Longhorns" of Texas for six seasons now, announced his resignation, effective at the close of the current season.

Over the six-year span, Price has won more than any other Southwest Conference coach. His SWC record is 20-11-1. What does this prove? It could be interpreted several ways:

1. A reflection on Price's character.
2. Texas fans are hard to please.
3. The past is soon forgotten — it's the current record that counts.

This column hastens to eliminate #1. We know Coach Price well enough to say he is a gentleman of high character. We think it points up how important the **current season's record** is to the alumni of an institution. Past service is forgotten in the light of defeats.

We want to commend Ed Price for playing the game as a true sportsman all the way. The manner in which he submitted his resignation reflects the sterling character of the man.

Analyze his statement: "Although my contract has another year to run, I am taking this action for the good of the team, the University and the thousands of loyal, interested supporters who have been so helpful to all of us in the past. There may be differences of opinion as to the cause or causes, but we can all agree on one thing: we are not having a happy season. In

such a situation, the head coach always is held accountable. This is fair enough; he is the one who is ultimately responsible. I do not propose to present any elaborate defense or alibi. I will merely say that I always have done my best, and so have the assistant coaches and the players themselves."

In the first paragraph, he remembers the past service of others, even though they have forgotten his past record. In the remainder of his statement, there is no attempt to alibi or to place the blame on players, assistant coaches or others.

Coach Price accepts philosophically the fact that coaching as a profession has its hazards, so far as tenure is concerned. Firemen know there is a chance that they may sometimes get burned. Coaches know that sometimes they may be caught with their records down, and they are psychologically braced for it.

Regardless of the win-loss record this year, we think Ed Price is a gentleman and a champion!

National Pop Warner Huddle Prayer

Jess C. Neely, head coach of Rice Institute in Houston, Texas, and president of American Football Coaches Association, won the ninth annual Pop Warner huddle prayer writing exhibition in which some 1,200 school and college sports leaders were invited to prepare a six-line prayer for use in pre-kickoff huddles by 50,000 youngsters comprising 266 leagues affiliated with the Pop Warner national office in Philadelphia.

Neely's contribution reads:

*"Lord we thank thee for this day
Grant us guidance in our play.
Give us strength in hand and heart
To play the fair and sportsman's part.
With courage and regard for rules
For the honor of our schools."*

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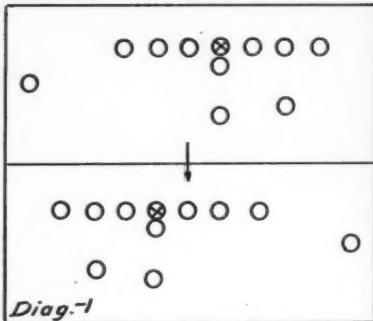
THE SHIFTY "I"

By TOM NUGENT

Head Football Coach, Florida State University

IT'S A CATCH NAME, of course, but it is a basically sound system of testing the other fellow's defensive preparation.

There are few, if any, teams solidly prepared for variations in offensive alignment when the change occurs fast. Shifting quickly from a flanker left, with backs heavy right into a flanker



right with backs heavy left (Diagram 1) may be the beginning of the end if the rival coaching staff hasn't planned and worked against it and the many combinations used in the development of backs and ends in modern football. Better still, if they have worked against it, there will be mistakes and a shattering of confidence when the sizable gain from a run or pass results from incorrect coverage.

The principle is there in any type of multiple offense, and particularly when a shift is used. However, most teams barely scratch the surface. They shift from one formation into the other familiar alignment with very few variations, if any.

Take a chance; split an end and camouflage your intent with a flanker opposite. Use a wing back and if need be, come back to your bread and butter plays from the formation you like best. The shift will take care of it.

You'll discover the glaring weaknesses in coverage as you experiment. The ultimate payoff depends, of course, on your ability to capitalize on your opponents' defensive inefficiency or lack of preparation.

Here's the "Shifty I" as we use it in combination with the more popular offensive formations:

First, we'll number the formations to clarify the system.



Coach Nugent begins his fourth season as football coach at Florida State University with a record of 37-31-2 in college coaching ranks. The personable young Nugent is a native of Lawrence, Massachusetts, and a graduate of Ithica College in New York. He began his coaching career at Essex Training School, where he left a four-year record of 35 victories against two defeats, with two undefeated teams.

Nugent entered the Air Force in 1941 and was named head football coach of the Rosecrans Air Base Flyers. After his discharge in 1946, Nugent was appointed head coach at Williamsburg, Virginia High School. He won nine straight victories there and moved to Hopewell (Va.) High in 1947, where he posted a two-year record of 15 wins and 4 losses.

Nugent then stepped up to the college level as head coach at Virginia Military Institute and in three years VMI stood at the top of the Southern Conference, sharing the title in 1951 with Maryland. He went to Florida State in 1953 and has laid a firm foundation for future grid success.

Two things are most noteworthy regarding Tom Nugent. As a coach, he is a creative thinker and an inspirational leader. As an individual, he is a man of high character and a credit to the coaching profession.

- 1 — the I formation
- 3 — the T formation
- 4 — the T formation with the LH set right (flankered)
- 2 — the T formation with the RH set left
- 4 opposite — the T formation with the LH set left
- 2 opposite — the T formation with the RH set right

From this point we will refer to the T formation as the 3 formation; the I formation as the 1 formation; and so on.

Second, the shift must be developed. It should be done quickly. Use your own ideas to move the backfield in cadence if you can. We move the flanker on the run while the other backs use a rhythmic count.

Now we're ready for more ideas and imagination. Here are six suggestions. You take it from there, for it's only the beginning.

A. Shift from the 1 formation to 4 opposite and run or throw your favorite play from this set-up. Let's select a play and name it 27 for purposes of illustration.

The call in the huddle would be: 1 to 4 opposite — 27 on 2. Diagram A shows the formations.

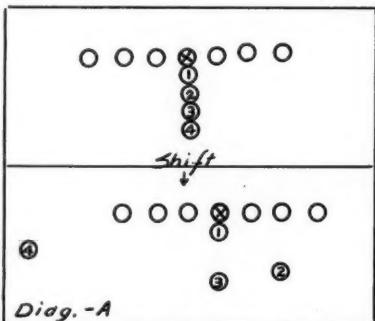


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B. Shift from 4 to 2 opposite and run or throw what you like.

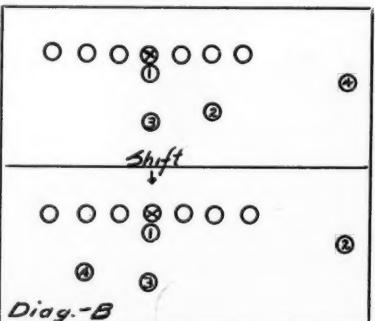


DIAGRAM B

C. Shift from 3 to 1 and select your play (the defense usually will tighten for an inside play).

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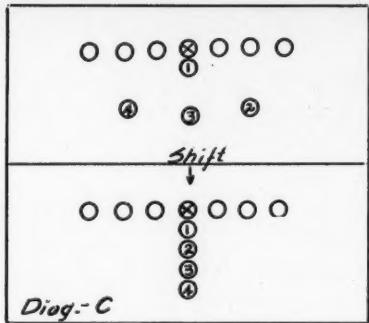


DIAGRAM C

D. Go from 2 opposite to 4 opposite (calls for an extreme defensive adjustment) Diagram D.

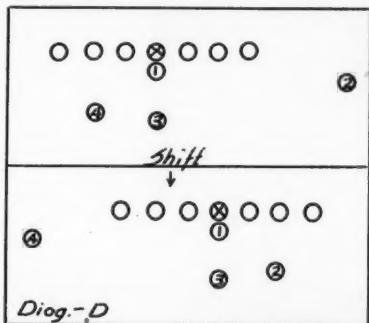


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E. Move from 4 opposite to 2 opposite. (Split your right end on the shift and watch the defensive problem). Diagram E.

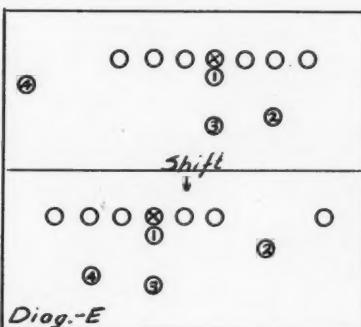


DIAGRAM E

F. Shift from 1 with left end split to 4 opposite, with right end split. Note: our method of splitting an end involves the use of the words East and West.

East — Splits the right end.

West — Splits the left end.

Using this method and the call in the huddle would be: West 1 to East 4 opposite. Diagram F.

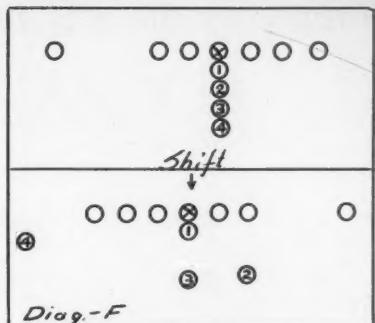
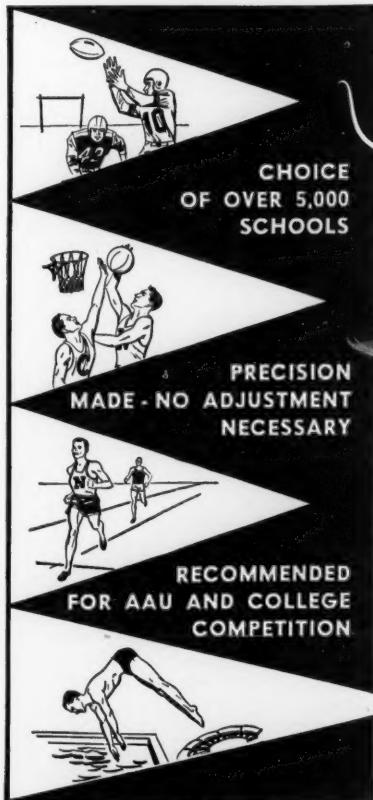


DIAGRAM F

Now you have the basic plan and some of the advanced moves. It is not difficult to teach in high school.

You may or may not like the system. Ask yourself this question in either case. Are you as a coach ready for the change-ups suggested in Diagram E or F? What will your team do against these quick changes? Can your boys make the necessary adjustments in one to two seconds, which is about the maximum time allowed in this system? Good luck.

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COACHING BASKETBALL

By DAN LYNCH

Basketball Coach, St. Francis College, Brooklyn

THERE ARE MANY SYSTEMS OF PLAY and methods of coaching — and the correct system or method for the individual coach is the one which brings him closest to whatever end results he seeks to attain. I guess that means, in relation to basketball, to win ball games — and if your method does that, then it's as good as any one else's. I think the big thing is to find out early in your career the basic system or method of play you can teach best and then stick to it. Modify it here and there, revise it to meet varying situations, adapt it to the annual personnel changes — but basically stick to the coaching principles in which you believe, and which work for you. I don't think there's anything so confusing to players as coaches who are constantly switching from one system to another, from pattern play to free lance, from zone defenses to man-to-man. My own philosophy of this game of basketball I can sum up in one phrase — KEEP IT SIMPLE. Don't clutter and confuse the game with intricate and confusing maneuvers. The easiest way is the simplest way.

The coaches' main work is done during pre-season training periods. The limitations placed upon the number and the length of training sessions, the lack of qualified assistants, restrictions on outside scrimmages, and the constant time element are ordinary problems faced by most high school coaches — and they are not unknown at the college level. It behooves such coaches, then, to eliminate as much time-consuming "eyewash" and extraneous fancy wrappings from his teaching methods as he possibly can. For example, in teaching our players the two-handed set shot, we insist only that they (1) keep their eye on the goal (2) arch the shot and (3) follow through. In our set shooting drills, these are the only three fundamental techniques of form that we wish to instill in our players. We pay little or no attention to position of the feet, of the forearms, of the back, etc. It is my contention that when a boy is told the ball must be grasped in the rear, held lightly with the fingertips, knees bent, forearms parallel to the floor and with head and back held straight, he spends so much time worrying about the proper form that he forgets to put the ball



Coach Lynch has brought St. Francis College into the top ranks of cage powers in the East. This school with only 500 students now competes on even terms with any school in the nation.

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in the basket. Any ballplayer who has the slightest basketball ability will very soon acquire a natural shooting position. If we can get our players to absorb and to practice just these three principles of set shooting, then we are satisfied that we're going to have a pretty good set shooter. Not only is precious time saved, and not only has the set shooting technique been simplified, but also we have found from experience that the player, with less to worry about, acquires a new confidence in his set shooting ability and is motivated to constant practice on his own time. The same procedure of eliminating the "extras" is followed in teaching all other phases of the game.

Our policy at St. Francis is to concentrate upon developing natural abilities, individual initiative and resourcefulness. Emphasis is placed upon a "second nature" knowledge of fundamentals, a well-rooted understanding and appreciation of basic skills, the ability to think and to act at the same time, and a keen awareness of the necessity for the utmost cooperation among all the members of the team. We say that a good ballplayer is one who can RUN, SHOOT, PASS, THINK, and exhibit a certain amount of HUSTLE and AGGRESSION. By a constant repetition of habit-forming drills, by insistence upon correct form in the acquisition of basic skills,

and by the daily use of specific drills to bring out special individual abilities, the task of the coach in selecting his personnel, and in formulating his offensive and defensive play is immeasurably lightened. Your drills should be simple, instructional, and interesting. They should be of such a nature as to develop the qualities which we listed above as being essential in a good ballplayer.

We mentioned that drills should be instructional. Here perhaps is the greatest single coaching fault in the development of young players. The coach should take time to explain carefully and exactly just what the drill is designed to accomplish, exactly how he wants them to do it, and precisely when the game situation involved in the drill may occur in actual play. In addition, he should tell them what might happen should the maneuver be incorrectly executed. Too many coaches are satisfied merely to give a drill to the players and have them run through it. More important is the understanding which comes from a thorough explanation of the reason for the drill. In defensive drills concerned with 2 on 1 situations, for example, the coach must be very explicit in explaining why the defensive man must not commit himself in attacking any special one of the two offensive players. He must explain why it is vital that the defensive man keep faking at the man with the ball in an attempt to make him stop his dribble. The coach must point out that it is better to take a chance on the longer shot being made, or that a teammate may get back in time to help out. It is not enough to just state what should be done in certain situations; the coach must explain why it is better to do it one way rather than another.

Through the use of instructional drills, by means of demonstrations and explicit examples, and by a simplification of the techniques involved in basic skills, a boy can be properly conditioned, he can acquire a certain skill in shooting, and he can be taught to pass — all within the limited time at a coach's disposal. To teach him to think, i.e., to get him to react quickly and correctly to specific situations is another matter. Every time the oc-

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By PERRON SHOEMAKER
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2. Normal End Play:

The end is responsible for wide plays, rush passer or help in the pass defense when our team defense calls for normal end play.

Steps:

As the ball is snapped the end takes a short quick step with his inside foot toward the half back on his side. Our ends key off the near halfback. If the halfback comes directly toward him, our end takes a short jab step toward his outside shoulder, and plays him with his inside forearm and outside hand. The end's defensive position



Coach Shoemaker was all-SEC end at Alabama 1936-37-38. Before going to Georgia as end coach in 1951, he served in a similar capacity at University of Chattanooga, Florida and Texas A & M.

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should be: Chest down, touching thigh and knee of forward leg. Inside forearm should be below the knee and against shin, so it can be brought up with a striking motion. The feet should **not** be in a straight line. The rear foot should be out and wide, so as to give better balance.

Playing Wide Play:

If the halfback tries to hook the end in, the end breaks his charge with inside forearm pushes off with outside hand. Steps to outside with outside foot and plays blocker with both hands as he crosses over with his legs. He should stay low and keep his legs and body as far away from blocker as he can. **He always plays the play from the front. He never runs around or inside of the blocker.** Never take fakes; make the ball carrier commit inside or outside of the blocker, then go and **make the tackle.**

We never try to get too much depth across the scrimmage line, but try to force the blocker and carrier deep if you can.

Duties of Offside End:

Play goes away from end, he stays

on line of scrimmage until he **finds the ball.** This will stop delayed plays and reverses and screen passes. When he finds the ball on, or beyond the line of scrimmage, he cuts back of the scrimmage line toward his safety man. He can stop a lot of sure TD's if he will do this every time.

Defense against the Pitch Split "T":

Our ends use the same stance, and key off the same people. When the near halfback dives, we key off the fullback, but we should never charge across the line of scrimmage at him. This leaves too much running room for the quarterback on the keep. We stay on the line of scrimmage as long as we can and give ground laterally as slowly as possible.

The longer we can make the quarterback keep the ball, the better chance our defensive linemen have to recover and make the tackle.

Playing Flanker:

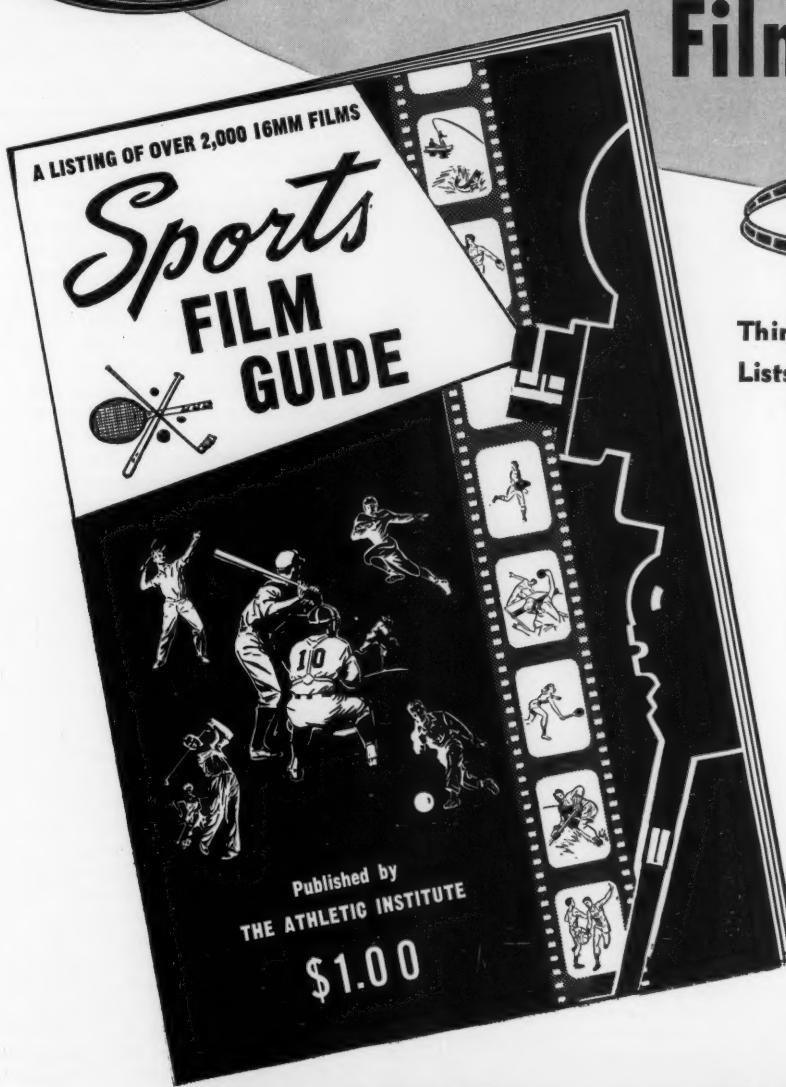
The width that you want the end to go out with a flanker, depends on the team defense, so we will discuss only steps, etc. Our end will play on the inside shoulder of the flanker. We reverse our defensive stance that we normally use. Against a flanker we will have our **outside foot** back and will step toward the flanker with our outside foot and play him with our hands. If the flanker fakes and goes down field, we are back in our defensive position that we want to be in when there is no flanker. If the play develops toward us, we can step toward the blocker with our inside leg and play him with our inside forearm.

Pass Defense:

Our defensive steps are the same. We always play the run first, and the pass second, unless the score and time of game would cause our team defense to change this procedure.

When the pass develops, our ends drop straight back on the same angle that they took their first step on. They look to the inside first to be sure that an end or back is not coming into the delayed flat. We ask our ends to drop back at least ten yards. If a pass is thrown in the immediate flat, they can always come up and make the tackle for no gain.

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ATTACKING THE ZONE

By STANLEY WATTS

Basketball Coach, Brigham Young University

FOR MANY YEARS, basketball fans and critics have argued against the use of the zone defense. Their contention has been that it slows the game considerably; consequently, the game loses crowd appeal. Many coaches have argued that the zone should be abolished for the good of basketball, while other coaches have contended they should have the right to coach and use anything allowed by the rules to win ball games. In many cases, the zone has been used and as a surprise defense has caught several teams unprepared.

Most defenses today, whether they be man-to-man or zone, contain certain zone principles, regardless of what they are called. To outlaw such strategy would certainly be hard. Who is the authority to determine whether or not it is a zone? Who is going to enforce the penalty? The professional group did away with the zone and they maintain it has helped crowd appeal. Because of a fewer number of teams though and a strong knit organization, the situation can be determined and enforced much better than on the collegiate or high school level. Every coach, in my opinion, should have a chance to equalize his opportunities with various opponents and if the zone defense is partially an answer to that strategy, it should be allowed to remain. If the fans of that team do not like zone defense, their complaint will show with a decrease in attendance.

Two years ago, there was much discussion regarding the wide free-throw lane in basketball. Many coaches argued against the rule change on the premise that it would be conducive to more zone defenses. Contrary to the opinions of many, this situation actually resulted and more zones were used last year. The author was surprised to see this happen as the offensive attack areas remained the same against the zone regardless of the width of lane. Most zone attacks, if analyzed, still use base line floaters, high posts, and wing men allowed to move to overload areas to get their shots. However, the zone was used with great success principally because many teams were not prepared to meet it. It has always been my opinion that the strength of a zone rests a great deal in a surprise state. When teams are not ready for it, they can experience trouble. Any zone defense is vul-



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nerable to getting good shots, and if the team has practiced against a zone and is well trained fundamentally, the shots are usually there.

In past years, it was unusual to meet a zone defense in collegiate competition. Many coaches were of the opinion that large gymnasiums and the good shooters in college ball, made a zone unpractical. The coaches, in the majority of cases, felt if they did meet one, they could handle it with very little preparation. This attitude proved costly to many teams last year when

the zone gained more use and certainly more popularity in collegiate circles. Many games were lost through lack of preparation and many practice schedules were changed to include more work against the zone to perfect the offensive attack. Because of this condition, better zone defenses were developed within the squad to give worthwhile practice against the zone. Teams never using this defense, now through practice in their own ranks, started to use the zone against opponents to try to upset their style of attack and thereby promote confusion.

With the zone popularity increasing last year, many teams used the tandem post offensive attack, which with some variations, proved successful against both the zone and man-to-man defense. This same style of offensive play will probably continue to become more popular and be used by more teams. If a good offensive attack is developed by a team, they must spend more time in developing a tough zone defense in practice. With this offensive attack being adopted to both defenses, coaches had more time to develop it. With the screening possibilities and the 1 on 1 opportunities, this offense solved a good number of problems for zone preparations.

We believe there are many factors concerned in meeting the zone defense. We have always had the opinion we can get good shots against any zone. Many of these shots, of course, will be outside, but many will also come inside and rebound situations should develop. If we are hitting an average percentage and can play some defense ourselves, we should win against a zone. This, of course, holds true with any type of defense. We also recognize that most zones are set up to jam the inside areas and to keep cutters and screeners from getting shots in that area. Rebounding also becomes a greater problem for the offense with men placed in the zone to take care of the boards. We are also of the opinion that the good shots we get must come through careful passing of the ball until we can get the good shot for which we must work. If the team is a good passing and ball handling unit, our job is easier when we meet any defense. We therefore feel that passing and good ball handling is very important in zone

attack if we are to get our good shots.

The most common factor, probably, in meeting the zone is to have a good enough fast break to beat the zone before it can adequately set up. To be effective, the fast break must gain the advantage quickly, however, and most zone teams are aware of this and try to maintain good defensive balance to counteract the fast break threat. There is no easier way to pull teams out of zones than a good fast break threat. When the fast break does not materialize, then the set attack must be ready. Factors of the game determine the tempo of the offensive attack. Either the offense should hit quickly or control to force the defense out. This situation has hurt basketball the past few years because it results in inactivity. No one wants to see ten players visiting on the floor with time running out and neither team forcing the play. This has been a strong argument against the zone defense in basketball. The Rules Committee tried to help this situation by placing the responsibility on the team behind in the score to carry the activity in this situation. If this situation of inactivity continues, more forceful action will have to be taken.

If we are to be successful against the zone, we must carefully utilize the position of our men to capitalize on the weakness of the zone. With the many variations of the zone being used, the open areas will vary and change with the type of defense. We will, however, place our men where we feel the zone is weak. For example, against the 1-3-1 zone, we feel the weak areas are along the base line and in the front area of the foul circle. As a result, we could set up in a 2-1-2 offensive attack which will place men in those areas and force the defense to maneuver to adjust. With this adjustment, we hope we can cause them some concern and by using the overload attack we may gain the advantage for a good shot before they can adjust and defense that area.

In the past few years, we have used the 1-3-1 attack against most zones. In this attack, our principle has been to move the ball and not the men with the exception to overload an area. Very few cutters were employed in this attack. Then teams began to zone us with a 1-3-1 zone and as we passed the ball, they played us man-to-man and we were in trouble. We then had to perfect an attack against this type zone by replacing our men in open areas and to employ a cutter to try and make the defense commit itself.

Last year, our scouting reports revealed many more zones than we anticipated and we had to spend more time to prepare our boys for the situation. Our theory in developing a zone

is to have the boys well-versed in thorough man-to-man defensive tactics. Because our basic defense is man-to-man, we felt we could prepare a good zone defense within our squad, so we could get better practice against the zone. We prepared this defense carefully and then experimented with various phases of attack. We found we could use cutters and screeners effectively against the zone if we used these with the overload principle. Our boys enjoyed this new attack and when we met zone defenses, our squad adjusted to them very well. We then experienced many teams changing from zone to man-to-man and vice versa with certain conditions of the game. Some teams hit us with a box zone and a chaser and we had to diagnose and hit that defense by more preparation. Because of these many changing defenses, we had to develop an offensive option which would tell us immediately what our opponents were in. Our practice was against many of these so our boys could readily recognize the situation and attack accordingly. Through minute preparation and practice, our team did a good job with this and we were able to get our good shots, which we think we must get against any type defense if we are to succeed. If we can break our boys loose for their favorite and best shot and do what the defense will let us do, then we should win our share of the games providing our defense will hold up consistently. True, we have been defeated by teams using the zone, but our inability to hit our good shots was the determining factor, and not because we didn't get the good shots.

We believe zones will be used against us many times this year. We plan to use the same preparation and attack and hope we can combat this type of defense effectively.



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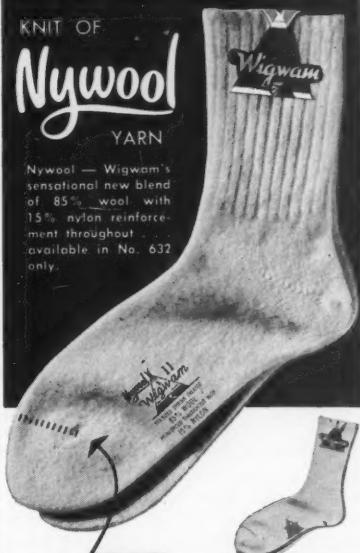
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DEFENSIVE BASKETBALL

By John F. Lance

Head Basketball Coach, Kansas State Teachers College

DEFENSIVE PLAY in basketball received but slight attention before the time of World War One. Defensive systems began to be developed during the late teens and the early twenties, when many defensive-minded coaches boasted that they could win any game if they could hold the opposing team to twenty points. Since that time, offensive play has continued to gain over defensive play, with the elimination of the center jump having been the greatest single stimulus. The 'point a minute teams' of the late twenties drew head lines but the first real notice of the mounting advantage of offense over defense, came when the combined team scores passed the one hundred point mark. This advantage has continued to grow until the present when to score one hundred points does not insure victory.

Some of our more successful coaches have always stressed defensive play and it is the usual thing for teams boasting near one hundred points per game averages, to be held to sixty points or less and to be defeated when meeting a strong defensive team. It is a well established fact that time and effort spent in teaching and perfecting defensive play returns a good dividend in the form of games won and a genuine respect of the opposition.

It is but natural that we enjoy the things that we have the ability to do well. When basketball players develop defensive skills and, as a team, master the principles of defensive team play, it is to be expected that the players will take great pride in their defensive play and become a team that will limit their opponent's scoring to a point below their own scoring ability. To me, this is one of the most important things in basketball today when most teams attempt to out score their opposition with little attention to limiting their scoring.

There are many systems of defensive play in use and it would be difficult to name a best system as we find very successful teams using widely differing defenses. It is impossible to fully cover any system of defense, its fundamentals and principles, in a short article. I shall briefly present some of the features of the defense used by my 1955-56 team that established itself as a sound defensive club, having won



Coach Lance is beginning his 35th season in Kansas State. During this span he has won 548 while losing 267 — a .672 percentage. From 1929 through 1932 his teams won 47 consecutive games.

Last season his team scored 19 straight victories and placed third in the N.A.I.A. tournament.

For his season's effort, Coach Lance was named by COACH AND ATHLETE as Basketball Coach of the Year for the Missouri Valley Region, and he was also voted Coach of the Year by the membership of the N.A.I.A.

third place in the N.A.I.A. Tournament in Kansas City last March.

Our basic defense was a retreated, man for man, name for name, defense with established switches and called switches when needed. Having two front line players who were fairly fast and with quick hands, we did not retreat them when the opposing team gained the ball, but contested every move to advance the ball and only retreated with the ball. We maintained a pressure on the opponent with the ball, attempting to steal the ball, gain a held ball or force the opponent into making a hurried or bad pass that could be intercepted. Our front line's play gave the impression that we were using a down court press. While using some of the principles of this type of

defense, I never considered it to be a full court press as we retreated our other three players.

We try to never give an opponent the shot that he likes best. We keep pressure on the player with the ball at all times when he is within a scoring distance from the goal. The defense of the post position is a special defensive problem but the other three players who are not covering the opponent with the ball, play as loosely as possible, always ready to move ahead of their man if he cuts across court or toward the basket and to take a favorable position for the rebound in case of a shot.

I teach defensive play by rule or principle. Players must remember the proper defensive response for every move that the opponent may make. This is more simple than it may seem as there are but a relatively few basic moves used in most offenses. We attempt to set a defense for every move that each opposing team will make with special attention to their scoring stars.

Some of the defensive fundamentals that we stress are:

Stance: I define stance as a position of the feet that gives a player a base from which to perform some purposeful movement. We recognize but two defensive stances, the stride or boxer stance and the square or even stance. In the boxer stance, one foot is in advance of the other. We keep the foot nearest the center of the floor forward and a little strong toward the center of the floor from the opponent covered. We try to avoid head-on situations while covering from the boxer stance. We use this stance when covering the player with the ball when within scoring distance of the goal and when he has not dribbled. The hand on the same side as the forward foot is spread and raised to a position in front of the ball or in the face of the opponent. The other hand is spread and reached downward to guard against a low pass. The knees are slightly flexed with most of the weight on the rear foot. The defensive player, while guarding against a shot, must be ready to move ahead of his opponent if he attempts to drive past him with a dribble. If the offensive player makes any movement with either foot as though

to drive, even though it may be only a foot feint, we have our defensive player retreat one step, keeping the same foot forward. If the offensive player does continue his drive, our defensive player is in a most favorable position to move ahead of him. It is a principle of defensive play, that we move ahead of our opponent when he moves toward the basket or across court toward the ball. In case the offensive player has but used a foot feint, in an attempt to draw the defensive opponent out of position or off balance, and quickly returns his foot to his set position for a quick shot, the defensive player quickly slide steps forward to his former position covering against the shot.

We try to never lunge at a foot feint or to break contact with the floor by leaping upward to block a feigned shot, permitting the opponent with the ball to dribble past for a cheap basket while the defensive player remains very much up in the air. To emphasize the importance of maintaining contact with the floor while playing defensive basketball, I have called players making this mistake, flyers and suggested they should be awarded wings for having soloed.

The even stance is used when covering an opponent who has dribbled or is not in a position to shoot or does not have the ball. The feet are even and well spread, the knees are well bent and the weight is evenly distributed on the balls of both feet. The center of gravity must always be low so the rump must be kept down with head held high to give a clear vision. The defensive player must never become cross legged and moves to right or left with a sliding motion or a series of side steps. This same step is used when advancing or retreating, keeping the same foot forward. Both hands are held in the most favorable positions to enable the defensive player to go for the ball at any time it may be exposed or passed. The defensive player should guard against reaching toward the ball with a fully outstretched arm for if he causes contact with the opponent by so doing, he is but making a personal foul.

Vision: The defensive player, when covering an opponent who does not have the ball, should play in a position that permits him to see his opponent, the ball and as much of the playing floor as possible. We call this the defensive triangle, the defensive player forming one point, his opponent a second point and the ball the third point of the triangle. A defensive player must learn to use a wide vision and to be able to see objects and action in the outer margins or periphery of

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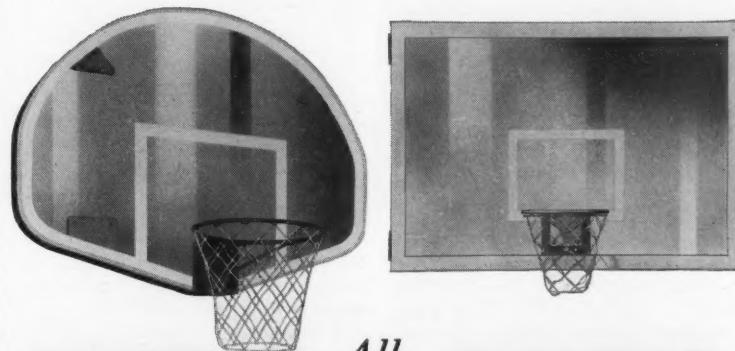
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TOMMY McDONALD

University of Oklahoma

By DICK WENTWORTH

IN HIS 10 SEASONS AT OKLAHOMA, Coach Bud Wilkinson has produced all-American backs with almost the same regularity as Big Seven conference championships.

His all-American parade of ball-carriers began in 1948 with quarterback Jack Mitchell, now head coach at Arkansas. In 1949 halfback George Thomas and quarterback Darrell Royal, now head coach at Washington, both were selected on several all-American squads. In 1950 it was fullback Leon "Muletrain" Heath and in 1952 the Sooners hit the all-American jackpot when halfback Billy Vessels, fullback Buck McPhail, and quarterback Eddie Crowder all were selected on one or more teams.

After 1952 the Sooner backfield was beset by a drouth of super ball carriers — a drouth not to be relieved until three years later when a violent storm moved into Oklahoma from the west. Its name — TOMMY McDONALD.

Many long-time observers of the Oklahoma team insist McDonald is the greatest of all backs who ever donned the Sooner crimson and cream. The record appears to bear them out.

The fleet-footed bundle of energy from Albuquerque, N. M., owns the most phenomenal passing record ever compiled by an Oklahoma player and bows to only one back — Leon Heath — in the matter of racking up yardage on the ground.

McDonald's 1955 season was the greatest ever for an Oklahoma halfback, surpassing even the brilliant 1952 performance of Billy Vessels, which won him the Heisman Trophy. McDonald's rushing average last season — 6.8 yards per carry — was only slightly

better than Vessels' 1952 record, but in passing Tommy stood head and shoulders above Vessels and every other Sooner back in history. He threw the ball 24 times and 17 times it was gobbled up by a receiver, for an amazing completion percentage of 70.6%. Not one of his passes was intercepted by the opposition.

Tommy is drawing a bead on OU's all-time career record for pass completions, held by Claude Arnold, who hit on 52.2% of his passes over a three-year period. Through the first five games of the 1956 season, McDonald had a career record of completing 64.8% of his throws, including 4 out of 5 during the present campaign. (The fifth pass was caught just a shade out of bounds.)

The fact that he throws almost every pass while on the run makes his record for accuracy even more remarkable. Oklahoma's most productive play is the left halfback option, on which McDonald carries the ball around the right end and passes or keeps, depending on what the defensive backfield does.

McDonald went into his last five games with an outside chance of beating Heath's career rushing record of 6.9 yards per carry. Through the Notre Dame game he had carried the ball 189 times for a total of 1211 yards, or an average of 6.4 per carry. His 1956 percentage was slightly higher than 6.4.

McDonald doesn't get to carry the ball nearly as much as most star halfbacks because of Wilkinson's liberal use of his alternate team. Still he scores a lot of touchdowns. Last season, for instance, Tommy crossed the goal line 16 times, with all but 2 scores coming on rushing plays from scrimmage. As

he carried the ball only 103 times, this means he went all the way once out of every seven times he got his hands on the ball. A batting average of .142 isn't much in baseball but in football it is slightly less than sensational.

McDonald shines in the classroom as well as on the playing field. A solid "B" student, he was named to the All-American scholastic eleven for 1955, chosen by the editors of the American Peoples' Encyclopedia.

Scholarship is stressed almost as much as football by Wilkinson, whose players graduate at a rate of better than 90%. Last fall not a single member of Oklahoma's national championship team flunked a single hour of college work.

No high school player, no matter how good a prospect, gets a scholarship at Oklahoma unless Wilkinson is satisfied that he is willing and able to keep up in his classwork. Because of this careful screening at the high school level, the Sooners rarely lose a player due to scholastic difficulties.

Wilkinson's own proudest possession is the Big Ten Conference Medal for all-around proficiency in athletics and studies, won in his senior year at Minnesota when he played blocking back on Bernie Bierman's national championship football team, captained the Minnesota golf team and played goalie on the hockey team. Minnesota also won the national title when Wilkinson was a sophomore guard.

Later, while serving as an assistant coach at Syracuse, Bud earned an M.A. degree in English. He still prefers "heavy" reading like Shakespeare and Schoepenhauer when he has a chance to relax.



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BACKFIELD SCREEN

By WALLACE K. WILKINSON

Backfield Coach

Darlington School, Rome, Georgia

I have often thought of what a benefit a big stretch of canvas would be if it were large enough to cover an entire line of scrimmage, about five feet above the ground.

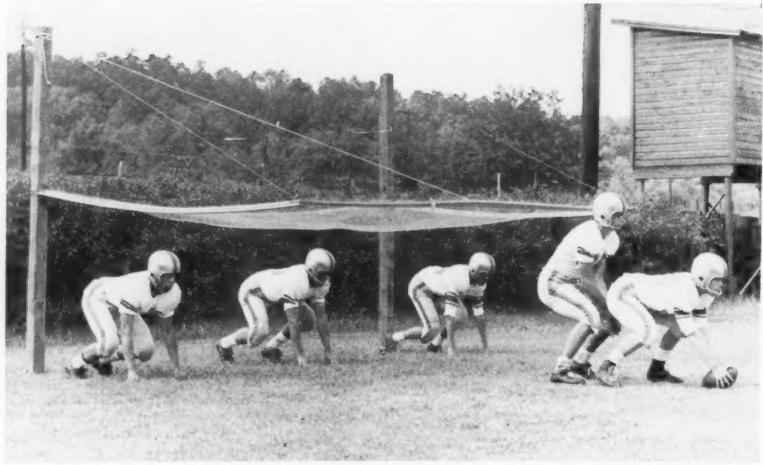
It could accommodate even a team scrimmage. However, realizing that this construction presents a great deal of engineering difficulty, I have settled for less.

I have had built a screen-top pen fifteen feet from left to right, nine feet deep, and five feet high (the height may be adjusted to a desired position with cables attached to holes on each upright — see photo).

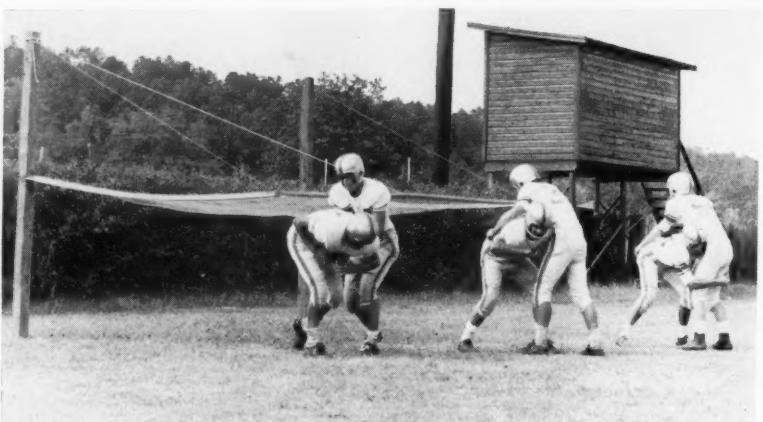
Backfield coaches are constantly concerned with the problem of "straight-up" runners. I believe that the aforementioned apparatus has at least partially solved our problem. The pen will allow an entire backfield to be placed under it, with the exception of the quarterback, who stands with his shoulder blades touching the front edge.

With this set-up we run split-T signal drills at least ten minutes of each practice period. The quarterback taking the first step into the scrimmage line, and the pitch man running parallel to a white line at the base of the uprights, gives us the proper 4-yard interval between the two. If the halfbacks place directly in front of the uprights, and touching them, we have a good, normal split-T alignment.

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- (e) option pitches — 10 minutes.

These, plus three or four other drills used alternately, constitute the individual work at the beginning of practice each day. I believe the screen af-

fords our backs a constant reminder of staying low, and that it has been invaluable as a conditioner — especially leg condition.

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★ FRONT COVER ★

Joel Wells Clemson College

One of the main factors contributing to the success of the Clemson Tigers this year has been a 195-pound senior half-back from Columbia, S. C., named Joel Wells. The free-wheeling style of runner that he is makes Wells one of the most dangerous ball carriers around. His coach, Frank Howard, says he wouldn't trade his "Clipper" off for any of 'em.

Wells led the Atlantic Coast Conference in rushing last year with 782 yards on 135 rushes. In the first five games of this year he carried for 324 yards in 75 attempts.

The effectiveness of Wells is not limited to his offensive ability. Playing the left corner on Clemson's defense, he has nearly as many individual tackles as anyone on the team. And when Clemson's right halfbacks run with the ball, the first one through the hole is Wells, usually putting someone on the ground. In all probability, he will be named to Clemson's All-Time team when his college career is finished.

Last summer Wells married a University of South Carolina cheerleader, Miss Jackie Furr. He is majoring in industrial management.



Charles P. Pond

Gymnastics Coach, University of Illinois

CHARLES P. "CHARLIE" POND, in eight years as University of Illinois gymnastics coach, has won three national collegiate and seven consecutive Big Ten Championships.

No better recommendation could be offered than the record of this energetic Texan who, at the age of 41, has won more honors than most coaches earn in a lifetime.

Pond-coached Illini have lost but seven dual meets in eight years. National collegiate titles were produced in 1950, 1955, and 1956, with Illinois teams finishing second in 1951, 1953, and 1954, third in 1949 and 1952.

In 1949, Pond's first year as head coach, Illinois was runnerup in the Big Ten championships. Since that date no conference team has been able to outdo Pond's products and in 1956 his team set new scoring records in both the Big Ten and national meets.

Born in Dallas, Texas, Pond attended Woodrow Wilson high school, then matriculated at Hardin-Simmons University earning a bachelor's degree in 1939. Later he completed work for a master's degree at Southern Methodist.

His athletic career includes a three-year reign as welterweight Golden



Gloves boxing champion from 1936-38. Pond also won the Southern AAU tumbling championship in 1937 and finished sixth in national competition in 1938.

Following graduation from Hardin-Simmons, Pond was superintendent of recreation for Abilene, Texas, from 1939 through 1941. He enlisted in the Marine Corps and was commissioned a second lieutenant in 1943. He then entered the Marine Paratroops and served with the First Marine Paratroop Regiment on Bougainville. Pond returned to the United States in 1944. He received his honorable discharge in December, 1945. He now holds the rank of major in the Marine Corps reserves.

Pond joined the Dallas Athletic Club where he developed 38 regional, district, and national tumbling and trampoline champions before becoming a member of the University of Illinois staff in 1947. Several of Pond's outstanding gymnastics products have been featured in Grantland Rice "Sportlight" motion pictures.

CO-ED OF THE MONTH

Along with the bright new uniforms acquired by the University of North Carolina band this year came a pretty new face to lead the band and draw admiring glances on the UNC campus.

She's blonde, glowing Jane Brock, a true product of the Old South from Atlanta, Georgia, whose looks and personality dominate her surroundings.

This striking 5-5 beauty, Miss Atlanta of 1956, is the brightest thing to happen to UNC football so far this season. Miss Brock, a 20-year old dental hygiene student, is one of a quartet of UNC majorettes.

Jane transferred from Georgia State in Atlanta to UNC this fall, with a string of achievements and a fine scholastic record. She is also active in Methodist church work.

Jane lists swimming, singing and dancing as her hobbies and she had plenty of time to practice them this past summer on a tour of Far East military bases with the Miss Atlanta show. As the star of the annual tour, Jane had mistress of ceremonies duties in addition to a song and dance routine. The

cast, composed of Miss Atlanta contestants, produced a full scale musical production for the troops. During the six weeks' tour, Jane accomplished a tremendous feat in learning to eat with chopsticks. Maybe not so tough for the normal American, but really rough for a southpaw, she laughs.

Her compact figure (35-23-36) and striking smile make her a tremendous hit wherever she goes. And contrary to what might be expected, yet typical of the traditional Southern Belle, Miss Brock retains a natural charm and simplicity that many lose after years of having their beauty acclaimed.

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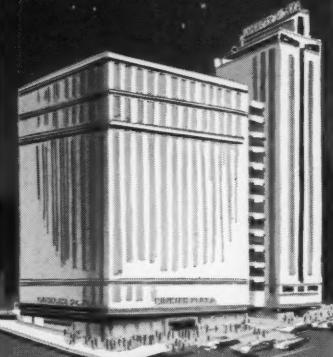
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DEFENSIVE BASKETBALL

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their vision. The distance that we play from an opponent is determined by the distance he is from the goal and from the ball. Our general rule is that we play him as loosely as possible or in other words, we keep the leg of the defensive triangle between the defensive player and his opponent, as long as possible.

Communication: It is important that each defensive player see as much of the offensive action as possible and to know where his man is and what he is doing at all times. Players must continuously inform their teammates of what they see, especially when their opponent may move away from the ball or away from the goal to set a screen or pick. Defensive players should expect to encounter a screen at any time their opponent moves toward the basket or across court.

Switch or Keep: Coaches who use the man for man defense probably differ most in the matter of keeping the assigned opponent or switching to another player in case of a screen. Coaches who lack the ability to teach players how to avoid being screened and to keep their opponent, will use switches very freely. A freely switching defense is not a true man for man

type of defense but is more of a zone type of defense.

I find that we play a better defense by keeping on certain play situations and by switching on others. We take the standard offensive moves used by most teams and establish the situations when it will be best to keep our man and we teach the players exactly how to avoid the screen. This is usually what we call "going through," when the defensive teammate takes one step backward from his opponent, permitting the teammate who is being screened, to go between his teammate and his opponent.

When we encounter the offensive situation that we have taught our defense to meet by switching, both players involved in the switch are calling to one another about the impending switch and the actual switch is never made before the defensive players are near enough to one another to shake hands. This does not permit the player with the ball sufficient space to drive between the defensive players and toward the basket. The defensive player switching to the opponent with the ball, must come up fast, forcing him in a course away from the basket. The defensive player switching to the screener, is on the outside of this man and must slide or roll quickly to a point inside of him to guard against

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his driving for the basket on the switch and before he can be covered on the inside.

A called switch may occur at any time that a defensive player may have failed to avoid a screen and is about to be picked off. The player being screened calls the switch and it is executed in the same manner as those switches that are established in our pre-game strategy that I have already covered.

I believe that any player is as good defensively as he is fundamentally sound and determined. It is every coach's job to teach his team defensive fundamentals and defensive principles. We spend a great amount of time in practice drills that make use of the defensive fundamentals and principles that are used in our system of defense. We try to give our team good information about the offense that an opponent will use and we are together on our pre-game strategy to be used against every move the opposition may use.

I like to compare a determined defensive player with a mechanical toy that has to be wound tightly if it is to move well. I realize that any team will go stale if pointed toward and wound tightly for every game. A coach should never underestimate an opponent and he should have his team high enough to win every game. I am more afraid of a second division team than of a team contending for the championship. The players will get themselves mentally prepared for the better teams without much coaxing. It is difficult to convince a good team that they will play as they think and when a coach can convince his team that they can win by playing well defensively and by limiting their opponent's score, they will learn that it is not necessary to score one hundred points to win.

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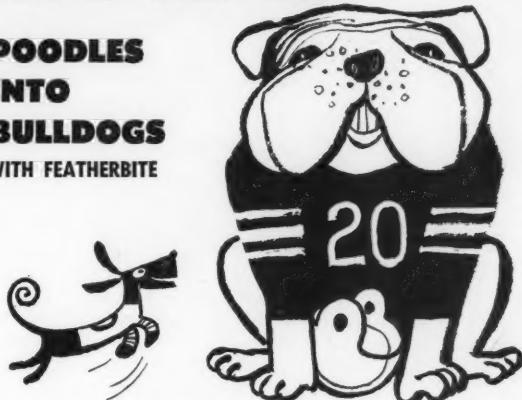
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with **JACK HORNER**

The Durham Herald



WITH COLLEGIATE FOOTBALL heading for the last roundup, the hardwood sport of basketball is just around the corner. . . . No less than three Christmas holiday tournaments are scheduled in the Atlantic Coast and Southern Conference area in December, keeping the cagers busy during the holiday period. . . . They are scheduled at Charlotte, N. C., Richmond, Va., and Raleigh, N. C. . . .

In case you are interested, pairings and starting times for all three tournaments follow:

CHARLOTTE CAROUSEL —

Monday, December 17 — 2:00 — Clemson vs. Auburn, 4:00 — Florida vs. Muhlenberg; 7:30 — Davidson vs. St. Joseph's of Philadelphia; 9:30 — Wake Forest vs. Colgate.

RALEIGH DIXIE CLASSIC —

Thursday, December 27 — 2:00 — DePaul vs. Wake Forest; 4:00 — Iowa vs. North Carolina State; 7:30 — Duke vs. West Virginia; 9:30 — Utah vs. North Carolina University.

RICHMOND INVITATIONAL — Thursday, December 27 — 2:30 — Pennsylvania vs. Davidson; 4:30 — Columbia vs. Washington & Lee; 7:30 — Penn State vs. Richmond; 9:30 — William & Mary vs. LaFayette.

In each of these tournaments, the eight-team fields play three straight days to determine the eight places. . . . The Dixie Classic is the oldest of the three. . . . N. C. State has swept the title in this event four of the five years it has been held. . . .

Incidentally, the Raleigh tourney has four conference champions from last year — Utah from the Skyline, West Virginia from the Southern, Iowa from the Big Ten and N. C. State from the Atlantic Coast. . . .

All of the Southern and Atlantic Coast basketball coaches were happy over the extra two weeks of pre-season practice allowed by the NCAA this year. . . . They launched drills Oct. 15 instead of Nov. 1, and coaches believe the additional time contributed greatly to improving the brand of basketball awaiting the public. . . .

Most of the ACC and SC cage teams see action in holiday tournaments next month. . . . Coaches like to keep their boys sharp during this period nowadays instead of letting them go home and gain weight on mom's cooking. . . . In fact, several teams appear in more than one of the holiday attractions. . . .

North Carolina University plays in the Boston Round Robin in the Boston Garden, Dec. 21-22. . . . South Carolina and Clemson appear in the Gator Bowl tourney at Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 27-28. . . . Furman makes an appearance in the Senior Bowl at Mobile, Jan. 2-3, and Maryland and Virginia take part in the Kentucky All-American at Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 28-Jan. 1. . . .

THE BEST BET to sweep player of the year honors in the Atlantic Coast Conference is long Lennie Rosenbluth, North Carolina's talented sharpshooter. . . . Rosenbluth, an outstanding All-America candidate, paced the ACC scorers last season with 26.9 average for 14 conference games. . . .

Over in the Southern Conference, **Hot Rod Hundley**, the clowning West Virginia University ace, averaged 28.8 points for 12 loop games a year ago and should have his greatest season. . . . The crack shot Mountaineer was runnerup to Furman's Darrell Floyd (34.3) in conference point-making last season. . . . Floyd has graduated. . . . Hundley appears headed for many all-star honors in his final campaign. . . .

While on the subject of basketball, Coach Everett Case, who brought big-time basketball to this area, has his work cut out for him during the 1956-57 season. . . . Case lost four starters from last year's team which swept the ACC and Dixie Classic titles. . . . Two of them, Ron Shavlik and Vic Molodet, made several All-America teams. . . .

Duke also was hard hit, losing seven lettermen, including four starters from last season's team. . . . Coach Harold Bradley was one of the coaches who welcomed the additional two-weeks of pre-season drills. . . .

THE TEAM TO WATCH in the ACC is North Carolina University. . . . This

will be Frank McGuire's fourth year at Chapel Hill and he's "loaded." . . . Rosenbluth sparks the Tar Heels. . . . He's a great all-around player with a deft shooting touch. . . . Coach McGuire has a veteran team and several highly-touted freshmen to bolster his bench.

WEST VIRGINIA'S MOUNTAINEERS look like a cinch to capture their third consecutive Southern Conference crown. . . . With Hot Rod Hundley returning for his senior year, Coach Fred Schaus has the offensive spark to go all the way. . . . George Washington and Furman face rebuilding jobs. . . . Furman will miss Darrell Floyd, the nation's top scorer last season, while George Washington is sure to feel the absence of Joe Holup, a player of All-America ability. . . . William and Mary and Washington and Lee are the darkhorse threats this trip to the past. . . .

DUKE'S BLUE DEVILS get the jump on the rest of the ACC schools by launching their schedule on Dec. 30 when they help Georgia Tech dedicate a new fieldhouse in Atlanta and indications point to a sellout of 10,500 for the encounter. . . .

The only new head coach in the ACC is **Press Maravich**, who makes his college debut at Clemson. . . . Coming from Aliquippa (Pa.) High School, Maravich succeeds Banks McFadden, who will devote all of his time to football coaching. . . . The only newcomer coach in the SC is Norman Sloan at The Citadel. . . . He's a protege of Everett Case. . . . Tom Scott, Davidson athletic director who succeeded Danny Miller in mid-season last year, starts out as the Wildcat mentor this season.

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Eyeing the East

EASTERN COLLEGE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

By IRVING T. MARSH
New York Herald Tribune

NOTES FROM THE EASTERN COLLEGE FRONT:

BIGGEST SHOT IN THE ARM for Eastern football, which many of the boys from the midlands have sneered at for years, was Penn State's victory over Ohio State at Columbus last month. Despite the score (7 to 6), the Nittany Lions beat the Buckeyes but good, leading in every offensive department, including punting, in which the Penn State quarterback, Milt Plum, turned in a remarkable job. He averaged 41 yards on five punts and when they were important, too.

Just how the Buckeyes took the game is graphically described by Ridge Riley, Penn State's alumni secretary, who described the goings-on in his weekly newsletter, as follows:

"A true fan of this American collegiate madness hasn't really lived until he's spent a fall week-end in Columbus, Ohio, the home of Ohio State University. On Saturday more than 82,000 persons turned up to see a game that practically no one expected to be a real contest.

"The newspapers in Columbus, which are notoriously rabid and did not especially favor this game with the 'beasts from the East' (Ohio State Journal) because Penn State was an 'intruder on the Big Ten schedule' (Columbus Dispatch), were patronizing and complacent in their pre-game stories.

"We can't believe that Coach Woody Hayes of the Buckeyes didn't sense some danger, because he is an experienced coach, but there is some possibility that he, too, was lulled into smugness by Army's failure to uphold the honor of eastern football against Michigan. At any rate he was obviously unable to convince the young men in his charge that this was much more than a warm-up for the major games ahead.

"We in the East are accustomed to traditional setting-up exercises by our teams as they take the field prior to the opening kickoff. They do it a little more elaborately in the Big Ten. The Bucks actually ran their plays in dum-

my scrimmage and even set up their defenses. Maybe it wasn't quite cricket for us to take advantage of this but one of our coaches picked up a play OSU hadn't previously used this year, and this observation came in handy when it was later tried against us. Somebody in the press box remarked that Coach Hayes was running through the plays he was planning for Wisconsin next week.

"There was some evidence, however, that the Buckeye players themselves were somewhat interested in Penn State's invasion of the nation's football capital. Jim Parker, 254-pound Ohio guard (unanimous selection for 1956 All-America by mid-west sports writers after three games) was quoted by a Columbus paper as saying: 'We are looking forward to the game because we want to show an Eastern team what Big Ten football is like.'

Funny part about the whole thing is that Penn State's athletic director, Ernie McCoy, sort of called the turn a month before the game. In a talk to football writers in Philadelphia, he made this remark:

"Fans in the West and Far West and in other sections talk more about their football than we do, but we play it as well as they do. On any Saturday, pick a team in the East and a team in the West and you'll have a hell of a game."

Prophetic, wasn't it?



THE EASTERN COLLEGE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE, composed of 105 colleges, of which seventy-three play football, is trying something new this year. Among other things it is selecting a weekly All-East team which includes players from large and small colleges. The seventy-three teams are divided into three sections — Major, Small College Northern Division and Small College Southern Division. Each week a press box poll at each of the games produces the outstanding lineman and the outstanding back and why. From this list the ECAC chooses the team of the week.

Thus far only one player has made the "all" team twice. He is Sam Valentine, Penn State captain and guard.

ODDS AND ENDS: Ivy Basketball League trying to install a new scheduling system for 1957-'58 . . . If adopted, all league games will be played on Friday and Saturday nights, with the eight teams paired in four groups — Harvard and Dartmouth, Yale and Brown, Cornell and Columbia and Princeton and Penn. On a given week end two pairs will travel to play the other two groups, switching Friday night opponents on Saturday . . . Seton Hall, in South Orange, N. J., has re-established swimming as a full-scale varsity sport . . . Basketball practice already started at most colleges in the sector.



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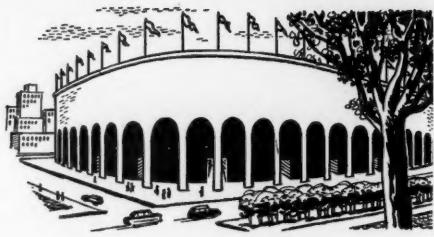
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Roving the Midwest BIG TEN CONFERENCE

By BOB RUSSELL
Chicago Daily News



It's TIME to sound the annual warning for All-America selectors.

The Midwest, which had six consensus All-Americans a year ago, is once again loaded with top candidates.

Held over are two who were unanimous choices last season, **Ron Kramer**, Michigan's mighty end, and **Paul Hornung**, Notre Dame's great quarterback.

How do they look a year later, to coaches whose teams have met them.

"Kramer is great," declares Ara Parseghian, the Northwestern coach. "With all his size, speed and all-around ability, he's phenomenal. You have to see him to believe all the things he can do."

"Hornung is the greatest 'one-man gang' in college football," insists Duffy Daugherty, the Michigan State coach. "He's a terrific football player. He's better than he was last season, even though Notre Dame is down."

Gone are four Big Ten players who were consensus All-Americans last season.

However, new stars have arisen to attract the honors which went in 1955 to Calvin Jones, the Iowa guard, Hopalong Cassidy, the Ohio State left half, and Norm Masters and Earl Morrall, tackle and quarterback for Michigan State.

The No. 1 candidate for the Outland Trophy, awarded annually to the outstanding interior lineman, is **Jim Parker**, the 265-pound "one-man line," who plays offensive guard and defensive linebacker for Ohio State.

Bobby Watkins, the spectacular Chicago Bear right half, who was a senior at Ohio State when Parker was a sophomore, thinks agile Jim will be a sensation in the National Football League.

"I hope the Bears get Parker in the draft next January," says Watkins. "If they don't I think I'll quit pro football. I don't want to play against him."

They'll debate until the kickoff next September as to whether the No. 1 quarterback in the Midwest this season was Hornung or **Len Dawson** of Purdue.

However, there can be no doubt that each is a fine football player. Each will rank high on All-America lists. Either could be the bonus pick in the NFL draft, unless a pro club short on linemen goes for Parker.

There simply isn't room on the All-American rolls for all the excellent ends in the Midwest this season.

Kramer belongs, but so do **Lamar Lundy**, the 6-6 basketball center who has starred for Purdue for three years, and **Dave Howard**, the pass-catching wizard and defensive demon from Wisconsin.

The two most versatile halfbacks in the Big Ten are **Clarence Peaks**, the 204-pound Michigan State senior, and **Bob McKeiver**, the 159-pound Northwestern junior, known in some quarters as a miniature Paul Bunyan.

Anything that can be done with a football, Peaks and McKeiver can do.

Completely overlooked in pre-season All-American speculation, **Johnny Matsko**, Michigan State's captain, center, linebacker and placekicker, came along further than any other Big Ten lineman this season.

"We have two All-Americans, Peaks and Matsko," declared Daugherty, when the season was only half gone. "We knew Peaks would be, but Matsko was a surprise, one of those real pleasant surprises that come along so seldom."

It's the end of the line for college football's "one-man farm system."

Tony Lawless is retiring after 28 years as head football coach at Fenwick High School in Oak Park, Ill.

It was a rare year when Lawless didn't send at least one sensational athlete into college football. More often than not, half of his first-string players made the big jump from high school to major-college football.

The ruddy-faced, white-haired Lawless is the only coach Fenwick ever had. They didn't build the school around him, as many believe, but they did hire him before Fenwick opened its doors 28 years ago.

Next year Tony will sit in the ath-

letic director's chair and let a new coach teach the Friars how to block and tackle.

Among Lawless pupils playing at major colleges this year are Jim Madock and Ed Shannon, quarterback and wingback for Michigan, Joe Bicek and Mike Rabold, guard and tackle for Indiana, and Frank Reynolds, Notre Dame left half.

Probably the greatest athlete Lawless tutored in 28 years at Fenwick was Johnny Lattner, the All-Everything of a few years ago. But the Notre Dame right half wasn't Tony's only All-American.

The list of Lawless products includes the late John Barrett of Georgetown, Bill Barrett of Notre Dame, Don Kruger of Northwestern, Fred Baer of Michigan, Ned Maloney of Purdue and Ed Norris of DePaul.

Comparisons of football in different conferences are always interesting. They're doubly so when they come from fellows who have coached in two different leagues.

"The difference in the Big Ten and any other conference I know of is that in the Big Ten, you have a 'rock-crusher' on your schedule every week," declares Murray Warmath, the Minnesota coach.

Murray played Southeastern Conference football under Gen. Bob Neyland at Tennessee. He coached in the same league, at Mississippi State, before he moved to Minnesota in 1954.

"Mid-American Conference teams could give those in the Ivy League and most of those in the Big Seven all they'd want in football," insists Ara Parseghian of Northwestern.

"In my book, the Mid-American is one of the most underrated leagues in college football. Its teams don't have the depth of those in the Big Ten, but they have some outstanding players."

Ara coached at Miami of Ohio, his alma mater, until he came to Northwestern last spring.

THE BIGGEST JOB IN BASKETBALL faces

Frank "Bucky" O'Connor at Iowa this winter.

Bucky lost not only his entire starting team, but his sixth and seventh men from the team that finished second to San Francisco in the National Collegiate championship last March.

A young fellow who wasn't even on the squad last winter will be a key man for the Hawkeyes in the 1956-57 campaign. He's **Roy Johnson**, a 6-ft. 5-in. senior guard from Homewood, Ill.

Roy was a front-line reserve for Iowa's 1955 Big Ten champions, but an injury kept him out of competition last year. He's back now, mended by an operation, as the most experienced hand on the Iowa squad.

Three 1955-56 lettermen are back, Augie Martel at guard and Tom Payne and Frank Sebolt at forwards.

Football coaches still have fun. At least, some of them do. One who fits that category is Jack Mollenkopf, Purdue's jolly new head man.

One day, the Boilermakers were working on one practice field. On an adjacent one, Billy Daddio, small son of Bill Daddio, the Purdue end coach, was playing a grade-school version of informal football with his pals.

While he was watching the Boilermakers, Mollenkopf caught a glimpse of small, stocky Billy, running with the ball on the other field.

"BILLY," boomed the Mollenkopf voice. "Snap it up! You're dogging it. What kind of football do you call that?"

Everyone within range of his voice burst out laughing. But Billy didn't "dog it" after that. It's never too early, Jack reasons, to start playing football the right way.

THINGS ARE LOOKING UP in basketball at Toledo. In **John Sparvera**, a 6-ft. 8-in. sophomore from Pittsburgh, the Rockets have the tallest man to play for the university since Eddie Melvin became head coach.

Melvin thinks Toledo will be stronger this season, despite the loss of Jim Ray, who averaged 25.6 last winter. Balance can make up for the lack of one outstanding scorer, the Rocket coach contends.

CAN WESTERN MICHIGAN claim a record for second-generation football players?

College and university teams often have a fellow whose dad played at the same institution. But three of the current Broncos are sons of former Western Michigan athletes.

To insure a record, all the sons are and all the dads were backs.

The son-and-father combinations on Western Michigan teams are:

Tom Barber, fullback, and Bernard Barber, halfback in 1934-35.

Dick Barnhill, quarterback, and Kenneth Barnhill, a fullback in 1928-30.

Don Gill, quarterback, and John Gill, halfback in the early 1920's.

The elder Gill was a four-year football player, since he competed just before Western Michigan adopted the freshman rule. He was the last Bronco to win 13 letters.

BASKETBALL

(Continued from page 16)

casion arises, the coach should stop the play, point out what was done incorrectly and then tell him what should have been done. Constant repetition, plus experience, produces the player who is able to size up a developing situation, to quickly analyze it and move to prevent its successful completion. Stories can be told of past games which a "smart" play won; the play of such professional stars as Bob Cousy or Dick McGuire can be pointed up as models of the "thinking" player. Above all, the player should be encouraged to use his initiative, to be resourceful, and to think ahead of the play.

Hustle and aggressiveness are player qualities which we impress upon our candidates for the team as being assets which can compensate for a lack of skill. A boy may not be the best

shooter, he might not be the great passer, and he might not be able to think the fastest — but there's always a place on the team for a player who'll get you that ball, whose desire to win the game is uppermost, and who will give you everything he's got all the time he's in there. If it comes to a choice between the skilled player who performs for the crowd and his own personal glory, and the less-gifted player who's in there fighting and battling to win for his team, I'll take the latter boy every time.

I have tried to give you a general picture of our approach to the coaching methods employed at St. Francis College. We try to keep our system of play as simple as possible — we try to streamline the techniques of teaching basic skills — and we try to develop in our players a certain amount of initiative and resourcefulness. We try to impress upon our players that once a game starts, no one can help him when he goes in for a lay-up shot, no one can help him when he's up on the foul line. He's on his own, and the success he has in actual competition is directly proportionate to the amount of work he puts in at the practice sessions.

In the next article, we'll go into more detail regarding our drills and how our defensive and offensive play developed from these drills.



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SECTIONAL NOTES SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

By TOM SILER
Knoxville News-Sentinel



ONE PARTISAN VOICE in the wilderness . . . We'd like to see Oklahoma win 35 in a row in the Southeastern Conference . . . That goes for Ohio State and Michigan State, too — the twin giants of the Big Ten . . . Nor is this any attempt to disparage Bud Wilkinson's great football team . . . Your correspondent saw the Sooners clip Maryland in the 1956 Orange Bowl . . . Oklahoma is great, but the strain of playing good teams week after week would take its toll on the Sooners as it does most teams.

Ole Miss' loss to Tulane — a real shocker — was the Rebels' fourth SEC defeat in five years . . . That's tops for the SEC over the period of 1952-56.

Tennessee's 'B' team, the boys who play the T-formation against the varsity every week, had something to say about the Vols' high ranking. After the polls came out putting the Vols third in the nation (after the Maryland victory), the 'B' boys put this sign on the blackboard:

"Today our varsity is ranked No. 3, "But without the T-team where would it be?"

BOWL PROMOTERS are strangling their own promotions with these closed pacts.

Why shouldn't a school go to a bowl two or three times in a row if the team qualifies as the best?

The Orange Bowl has a great show every other year. This is the "off" year when Oklahoma can't go. Thus, the Miamians are saddled with a runner-up against the champion of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The Cotton Bowl has no such rule, yet seldom does the same school qualify to play twice in a row in that engagement. The Sugar Bowl, which has to shop annually for two good teams, used to be the best of all for this reason. Now, the segregation law in Louisiana has put a blight on those great promoters in New Orleans. No one seems to know the eventual outcome of that situation.

Orange Bowl officials have hinted that they will not renew the Big Seven-ACC pact after next year, indicating that they may again welcome SEC teams to that bowl. Meanwhile, the Gator Bowl, by moving its game up a day, has come forward and needs only a few thousand more seats to rival any of them.

It's our guess that four or five SEC teams again will be playing in one of the bowls.

THOSE FOURTH DOWN GAMBLES put at least two teams "in the soup" in the first half of the season.

LSU's young and battling Tigers gambled and lost on fourth down against Kentucky. The Wildcats, thus encouraged, took the ball and scored

the winning touchdown. Ole Miss tried the same sort of thing against Arkansas in a scoreless game. The fourth down try failed and the Razorbacks scored quickly thereafter on the way to a big upset.

ODDITY: In the Georgia Tech-LSU game two punts hit in the end zone and bounced back into the field of play.

"I never saw it happen even once before," said Coach Bobby Dodd.

The first kick that bounced back was ruled incorrectly as a touchback, the second was put in play on the two where the ball came to rest. Few observers could ever recall having seen this rarity in all their years in football.

QUARTERBACKS, more than ever, seem to hold the key to the fortunes of SEC teams.

Don Orr was injured twice in early season games and the Commodores of Vanderbilt, without him, seemed to collapse. Georgia Tech was not really impressive until Wade Mitchell rejoined the team to help Toppy Vann in the slot.

LSU got a bad break when Win Turner, the quarterback, was hurt. The offense just wasn't there without him.

Kentucky, lacking a first rate man under center, was pining away for the departed Bob Hardy and Alabama ran its string of winless games to 20 before whipping Mississippi State, 13-12. A lot of the Tide ills could be traced to the absence of a top-flight director of traffic on offense.

Capt. John Gordy's father is Poppa John of popular music fame. Poppa John leads and plays with a "combo" that has recorded many albums of popular music.

Meanwhile, son John, the Tennessee tackle, likes only the music of popping leather.

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Texas Round-up

SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCES



By **JIM LAWSON**

Dallas Times Herald

ONLY ONE SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE SCHOOL opened the current football campaign with a new head coach at the reins, and chances are good there will be no more than one new face at the outset of the 1957 season.

The University of Texas' Ed Price is the man on the spot.

Genial Ed has been on the spot before, however. Alumni were howling for his scalp last season when his Longhorns dropped four of their first five starts.

Texas rebounded to win four of its last five games, including a triumph over arch-rival Texas A&M. Price, whose contract runs through the 1957 season, was given a vote of confidence by the University's board of regents. But Price reportedly asked to be relieved of coaching and assigned other duties.

This has been practically a repeat of 1955. The only difference is that agitation to have Price removed has been slow developing although the Longhorns lost four of five.

Perhaps the "fire Price" advocates are working underground. The shel-

EDITOR'S NOTE: Since this column was written, Coach Price tendered his resignation as Coach at University of Texas, effective at the close of the current football season.

lacking the Steers took from Southern Cal in the opener, followed later by the humiliating 45-0 loss to Oklahoma, certainly should have stirred the same resentment. Arkansas' 32-14 drubbing of the Steers finally brought out an effigy hanging in Austin.

At this writing, it appears the Longhorns simply have no chance of repeating last year's strong late-season finish. Even if they should, however, and again appease the Longhorn backers, many feel that Price still would step out of the coaching picture.

Here is the head coaching picture at other schools:

TEXAS A&M — Bear Bryant has a long-term contract, but he's produced winning teams for two straight years and wouldn't have to worry about being ousted, anyway.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN — Abe Martin is another winning coach, but TCU isn't a coach-firing school to boot.

SOUTHERN METHODIST — Woody Woodard was under fire last year when his big, experienced team failed to live up to expectations. His scrapping, inexperienced team of this year already has done enough to relieve the pressure. Beating Notre Dame in the opener was a big mark in Woodard's favor.

BAYLOR — Sam Boyd is the conference newcomer this year, and his Bears started so strong Boyd should have no difficulty keeping his job.

ARKANSAS — Jack Mitchell has done an excellent job with the Porkers, particularly considering the injuries to key players. The only prospect of Mitchell leaving Arkansas would be if he resigned to take another post.

RICE — Veteran Jess Neely is a fixture at the Owl helm. He's proven his ability, and apparently will step down at a time of his own choosing.

RANDOM SHOTS — Hardin-Simmons Coach Sammy Baugh has a losing season going in the won-and-lost column, but statistics-wise it's okay. His Cowboys doubled their foes' yardage and first downs in the early games, but still couldn't win.

Chuck Moser's phenomenal high school coaching career has many Texans wondering if he shouldn't be considered a top candidate for the head coaching job to be vacated at the University of Missouri by Don Faurot. Chuck played his college football under Faurot, and he must have learned the split-T from the master very well.

Moser's Abilene Eagles have set a modern record for consecutive victories among the state's big schools. The Eagles, at this writing, have won 30

straight dating back to the 1954 campaign. And in 1954 they lost only one game, an early-season non-conference affair.

Chuck has the Eagles pointed toward a third straight state championship. After Abilene won the state crown in 1954, Moser figured he would have only a medium-strong team in 1955 and then be really potent again in 1956. But last year's Eagle team allowed no one to come closer than two touchdowns, and this year's team appears even stronger.

Moser has his football system well organized in Abilene. He has the ability to select excellent assistants, and get the most out of his players. These facts — plus his fine personality, which would help in recruiting — augment his brilliant record and stamp Moser as a hot coaching prospect for a university.

TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSN. offices have been set up in Austin, with Executive Secretary L. W. McConachie in charge. This is the world's largest high school coaches association — really big business — and establishing the central office should facilitate handling of coaching affairs. Next year's coaching school and clinic will be held in Dallas, with a record-setting enrollment of more than 2,000 felt a sure bet.

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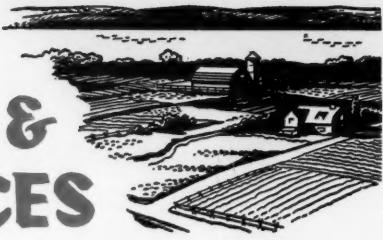


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From the Hub of the Nation MISSOURI VALLEY & BIG 7 CONFERENCES

By JOHN R. THOMSON
Kansas City Kansan



SWITCHING OUR TARGET this month, we'd like to go behind the scenes of college athletics long enough to give credit where credit is due for the interesting yarns that crop up in the columns of the sports writers around the country. In short, a salute to the tub thumpers—the publicity men who knock off reams of copy, often unpublished, always enlightening and rarely dull.

We think that here in the midlands we are particularly blessed with an exceptional crop. There are the **Dynan brothers** — Phil, St. Louis and Jim, Tulsa. **Don Pierce**, the old pro griddler, holding forth at Kansas and **Paul DeWeese**, Kansas State. **Bill Callahan**, ex-desk man at Missouri and **Harry Burrell**, Iowa State. **Fred (turned Poet)**

Casotti does an outstanding job at Colorado and **Pat Quinn** doubles as writer and tennis coach for Wichita. **"Cousin" Otis Wiles**, Oklahoma A. & M., even has his brethren chuckling with his releases, preceded by his almanac-brochure!

Then there is **Harold Keith** of Oklahoma who has the pleasant task of writing victory pieces for the Oklahoma Sooners and who can still get out and run cross country. **John Bentley**, Nebraska, has taken new zest in his job with the coming of **Pete Elliott** to Cornhusker land.

All vie for their share of the space and in addition prove a fount of information on game day. They are constantly harassed by ringing telephones and callers but thru it all manage to keep in mind their principal job — informing the press and the public on the school's athletic program. We'd like to share a couple of samples:

FROM **BILL CALLAHAN**, Missouri: "I look forward to each game too much to sit on the bench, or miss one with an injury."

Glen St. Pierree, sophomore Missouri back, authored that statement recently, and translated his words into action when waylaid with an infected knee.

Informed by the team physician that a combination of miracle drugs taken orally, and hot packs administered every two hours would reduce the infection most efficaciously, the stocky fullback promptly transferred his bedding to Mizzou's training room.

Wedging two narrow training tables together, Glen put a spread over the thin sponge-rubber "mattress" — applied his hot packs, took a pill — and then set the alarm clock at two-hour intervals so that new hot packs, prepared in a machine similar to a hot-dog steamer, could be applied regularly.

THIS FROM **FRED CASOTTI**, COLORADO: When third-string quarterback Dick Hyson booted the extra point for Colorado's fifty-second point against Iowa State, it marked the climax to a bizarre afternoon of Buff scorings.

Hyson had never attempted a place

kick in his life before that try. Loose in the huddle at the end of the rout, the Buff reserves who were playing chose Hyson to try the kick.

As the beefy signal caller came out of the huddle, he asked right half Monte Briddle, who was holding the ball, "How do I do it?"

"Just keep your head down and your toe out," grinned Briddle. Hyson sailed the ball squarely through the middle of the cross bar and clear over the bleachers behind the goal posts, then announced, "I'm retiring with a perfect record."

AND THIS YARN FROM **HAROLD KEITH**, Oklahoma:

It took a flip of a coin in the Norman Municipal hospital to break the curious parallel that has existed the last four years in the lives of **Ken Northcutt** and **Wayne Greenlee**, Oklahoma linesmen injured during the North Carolina game.

Both broke the small bone in their right leg and about three inches above the ankle in the first half of their first varsity game while playing side by side. Greenlee played left tackle and Northcutt left guard.

Both seniors from Texas, Northcutt from Wichita Falls and Greenlee from Breckenridge. Previously both had torn ankle ligaments and had to have them repaired by surgery. During both convalescences, they shared the same hospital room.

This parallel ended when it came to operate for obviously they couldn't be operated on simultaneously. Northcutt won the flip.

A WELL-DESERVED SALUTE:

To **Kenny Nesmith**, senior, who has been named Kansas State's "Athletic Man of the Year." He becomes the first honored by the award, which is in memory of the late **Mike Ahearn**, long-time Wildcat athletic director.

The award will be made annually to the man contributing most to K-State athletics during the year.

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Roamin' the Rockies MOUNTAIN STATES CONFERENCES

By DURRELL "QUIG" NIELSEN



AMERICA'S FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME officially received another distinguished member when Denver University's capable director of athletics, **E. E. (Tad) Wieman**, was presented with a handsome framed citation during the half of the recent Denver-New Mexico game.

It's a well deserved honor for Wieman who has recorded an outstanding and long career as both a player and coach, and it is equally significant that the presentation of the coveted award was made by **E. L. (Dick) Romney**, Skyline Conference commissioner and also a member of the honored Hall of Fame. Romney, who received the honor last fall, praised the Denver athletic chief in glowing terms and expressed his appreciation for the superb job Wieman has done since joining the Skyline circuit in 1951.

To list briefly some of the highlights in Wieman's colorful career it is necessary to start with his undergraduate days at the University of Michigan where he starred as a linemen under the famed Fielding (Harry Up) Yost. After graduating with Phi Beta Kappa honors in 1921, Tad served as line coach with the Wolverines until Yost's retirement in 1926 when he took over as head coach. Moving to Minnesota in 1930, Wieman became line coach under Fritz Crisler and then in 1932 when Crisler moved to Princeton, Wieman went along as coach. In 1938 he became head coach at Princeton and during World War II he served as director of the army's college physical training program. His coaching career was wound up in 1945 at Columbia where he had served under Lou Little.

Tad accepted the position of director of physical education and athletics at the University of Maine and served in this capacity until he joined the Denver University staff in 1951. Sports followers and enthusiasts throughout the Rocky Mountain area are happy over the recognition for one of their sports leaders and are showering their congratulations on the Denver athletic director.

The longest collegiate football series in the history of the west was con-

cluded this season when the Denver Pioneers whipped the Colorado College Tigers. The series began in 1885 and over that period 54 games have been played. Denver's domination during the past 11 years has been given as the reason for this year's finale. In 1954 the Pioneers triumphed by a 72-0 score, in 1955 by 60-0 and this year the score was 40-21.

HONORS CAME TO IDAHO STATE of the Rocky Mountain Conference when Milton (Dubby) Holt was named as coach of the U. S. Olympic boxing team. Holt has done a terrific job at the Bengal school in the boxing sport and this recognition from the Olympic bosses comes as no surprise. Already Holt, who watched the final tryouts for the Olympic team a few short weeks ago, termed the team "the finest that could be put together at this time." He predicts that the U. S. boxing team will make a good showing at Melbourne.

Roger Rouse, Idaho State middle-weight, used a series of overhand rights and left jolts to win the finals and a place on the U. S. Olympic team. By his victory Rouse brings another honor to the mountain west. Dubby Holt is surely happy to have one member of his own school on the team. Another Idaho Stater, Harold Espy, lost on points in the finals of the heavyweight bracket to miss a spot on the team.

The New Mexico Lobos really had a player sidelined with a big head. A fresh guard by the name of **Roger Kranz**, hailing from Wisconsin, just couldn't find a head-gear large enough to fit him. None of the local sporting goods stores in Albuquerque could help the situation so guard Kranz just had to wait until the special size helmet arrived.

LITTLE JOE CAPUA, University of Wyoming's great basketball star, received Wyoming's greatest athletic honor when the Cowboy state governor, Millard Simpson, presented him with the Admiral Emory Scott Land award. The presentation was made at half-time of

the Utah-Wyoming grid game. Governor Simpson, in making the presentation, also gave to the 5-9 cager who hails from Gary, Indiana, his college basketball jersey and announced that Capua's number "6" was being permanently retired.

Capua's award is the fourth since Admiral Land made the first presentation in 1953 to Paul Carlin. The other two winners of the coveted award are George Galuska and Bill Jingling.

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH, two-time conference champions of the Skyline hoop league, boasts two sets of brothers this season. They are Curt and Don Jensen, former Jordan high stars, and Bill and Dick Paul, from Salt Lake City's East high.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO's new coaching crew are singing the praises of their fresh crop of footballers. With Dick Clausen and his coaches coming out of Iowa, many former Iowa prep stars' names dot the fresh roster. The Lobos are on the improve and are serving notice they'll be tough in the immediate years ahead, as if they aren't right now.

The guy that has received the toughest breaks in the football this fall in the mountain country is Larry Davis, New Mexico center. Davis grabbed a fumble and raced 60 yards for the TD against Utah State, only to have the officials rule the ball had touched the ground. Then against Texas Western, Davis intercepted a pass and rambled 56 yards for the score, but this time a teammate was called for clipping and again the run was nullified.

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By CLIVE L. GRAFTON

THE WOES OF BEING A FOOTBALL COACH: Coach Jess Hill of USC hasn't had enough problems in his grid career with being hung in effigy (last fall during open season), being blasted for "old-fashioned" football, and an inability to win "the big ones." Now Hill, whose Trojan team is unbeaten is taking the rap for the shortened applause that ended All-American Jon Arnett's pigskin play in front of the Southland fans on October 20 in the Los Angeles Coliseum.

For the statisticians, Arnett's ovation lasted 49 seconds when he was pulled out of the fourth quarter. Most everyone agreed that the speedy senior whose SC ball-carrying days was limited to five afternoons by the Pacific Coast Conference was shortchanged in comparison to other past Trojan greats.

In the 1930's when Howard Jones was stopping the nation's best with some of the finest series of Trojan teams ever fielded, ovations were planned well in advance. A senior hero would be met at the Trojan bench by his father after leaving the game while the Southern Cal captain would call time out on the field. Then while the rooting section went mad, the pair would walk slowly around the track and disappear into the dressing rooms.

During the USC-Washington game, Arnett's last at home, there was no time out called when Jon scored the fifth SC touchdown and added the extra point. The crowd tried to do him justice, but a kickoff in progress forced everyone to stop.

Following the game (SC poured the coals on to win a smashing 35-7 victory), Arnett thanked the Trojan rooting section for their support.

He ended his college playing days at Stanford the following weekend. Arnett will probably play some semi-pro football to finish out the rest of this season and is tabbed to be picked up early in the pro draft for 1957.

A SCANDAL that might rock the nation's junior colleges is in the offing.

Officials of the NJCAA, making final preparations for the National JC Championship game in Los Angeles' Coliseum on December 15, have declared ineligible for consideration, all schools who have been playing gridironers for three years. Practically all of the nation's two-year colleges have followed the eligibility requirements of playing only the two years, however, some junior colleges in Texas and Mississippi have been guilty of the violation.

Many top-ranked national jaycee teams will be involved. The argument is an old one and has created a number of problems for junior college bowl sponsors. For instance, the Junior Rose Bowl game scheduled for December 8 in Pasadena will not allow three-year lettermen to play in its game, but with the latest reports available it appears that Jones JC of Ellisville, Mississippi, the Eastern representative of last year failed to abide by that rule. Jones lost in the game to Compton College of California, 22-13.

For many years in some conferences outside of California, the three-year rule has been used to build up top reputations and gain a bowl bid and then, like Tyler JC of Texas in 1951, drop the ineligible players after getting the bowl bid (they lost to Pasadena City College in the Junior Rose Bowl).

National Junior College Athletic Association officials, co-sponsors of the Coliseum game (other sponsor: California's Kiwanis Crippled Children Charities), are planning on knocking out from all consideration those schools that do not meet the nation's standards.

NEVER TOO OLD DEPARTMENT: Grover Klemmer, 1941 World quarter-mile champion and successful San Francisco City College grid coach, still wears pads and cleats during football practice to demonstrate running plays to his squad. Klemmer still outruns everyone on the team.

BEST STATEMENT DEPARTMENT: In a San Francisco newspaper column

... "So here we are entering the last half of the season and somehow, the pattern is righting itself. The teams that won in the past are winning now. The teams that lost in the past, pure or simple, are losing again." An apt description of the PCC's "goofiest football season of them all."

NEVER TOO OLD DEPARTMENT (NUMBER TWO): Bootin' Ben Agajanian, talented placekicker for Compton College, New Mexico University, Los Angeles Bulldogs, Los Angeles Dons, Los Angeles Rams, Pittsburgh Steelers, and New York Giants, after an on-again-off-again squabble with the Giants, finally will return to booting field goals and conversions and fly back and forth from Giant games to his good-sized sporting goods business in Southern California. That's really commuting.

During halftime of the Michigan State-Stanford game at Palo Alto, San Francisco '49er coach **Frankie Albert**, was presented with the plaque signifying his entry into the National Football Hall of Fame. Albert's honest one-sentence acceptance speech: "I shall always be indebted to Stanford University, to Clark Shaughnessy and the T-formation."

As a sophomore in 1939, Albert fitted into the double-wing about as well as Nevada belongs in the Big Ten. When Shaughnessy arrived in 1940 with the T-formation, Albert was the chosen one for his quarterback. Others in that memorable backfield: Norm Standlee, Pete Kmetovic, and Hugh Gallarneau.

FOOTNOTE TO LAST MONTH: California's all-male rooting section, as reported in last month's column, took on a new look with the addition of coeds in the 5,000 seat section. The results: Restoration of part of the all-male cheering section (on a trial basis). At the opening game in Strawberry Canyon . . . only a dozen or so representatives of the fairer sex sat in the section.

HI, COACH!

Charles 'Chuck' Moser

Abilene High School, Abilene, Texas

CHARLES MOSER played his high school football under the tutelage of Fred Faurot, brother of Don Faurot. After lettering four years in football, three in basketball, and three in track, Fred passed the promising young athlete on to his brother Don at University of Missouri. There he was a three year letter man in football, played back field and center, and was named to the All-Conference team in 1939. He climaxed his college career by playing in the Orange Bowl January 1, 1940.

Moser has posted a brilliant coaching career, one of the best in Texas — and Texas is a big state! He coached two years at Lexington, Missouri and seven years at McAllen, Texas before taking over at Abilene, where he is in his fourth year. Prior to this season, he

had a twelve year record of 94 victories and only 24 defeats. His record at Abilene was 34 wins and 3 loses. He tacked the coveted Texas State Championship title on the tail end of a 23 game winning streak last season. Many proclaimed his 1955 eleven the strongest they had seen in the Lone Star State.

For the current season, his record through October is 7 victories with no defeats. This runs his consecutive victory string to 30, a new Texas high school class 4A record. In the seven games to date, his team has scored 298 to the opponents 38. No attempt was made to run up the score, as no first team boy has played on offense the second half this year. Abilene scored 249 points in the first half, only 49 in the second half. That's a coach and a sportsman!



CHUCK MOSER

But the story of Charles Moser carries something more important than his remarkable winning record in football. He is equally noted for his high

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Genial Amos Williams Wins Fifty-Year Service Award

ONE OF THE RAREST long-service decorations possible for the Spalding organization to bestow is the Fifty-Year Pin. Only seven of them have been earned by Spalding employees in the firm's eighty year history and, of these, only two have been won during the past five years.

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ade mark was observed by suitable ceremonies at the Spalding plant early this fall when the pin was presented to Mr. Williams by President Walter Gerould.

AMOS WILLIAMS went to work for Spalding on July 7th, 1906 in the firm's A. J. Reach Company plant in Philadelphia. Ten years later he was established firmly as salesman covering the southern territory and, in 1917, became Assistant to the Sales Manager. In 1926, when the Reach firm combined with Wright & Ditson, Mr. Williams was made Sales Manager for the Middle Atlantic states. Ten years later he became Philadelphia District Manager for A. G. Spalding & Bros., Inc., and, in 1952, he was elevated to his present position.

The genial presence and friendly co-operation of Amos H. Williams is an inspiration to the thousands of his associates in the firm and throughout the trade. If wealth can be figured in friendships, then Amos Williams truly is a very wealthy man. All who know good friend Amos congratulate him on reaching this important milestone of service — and all wish for him an abundance of health, happiness and prosperity in the years which are to come.



Amos Williams receives 50-year pin from Walter Gerould, President, A. G. Spalding and Bros.

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sportsmanship and sense of fair play. He is active in the civic and religious life of his community, being a member of the board of stewards in the St. Paul Methodist Church, Vice-president of the Abilene Kiwanis Club, and Major in the Air Corps Reserve. He is "as fine a churchman and Christian as he is a coach," according to his pastor, Earle G. Hamlett of St. Paul Church, Abilene. Moser's interest in his boys goes beyond the football field. He wants them to play the game like champions on other fields of activity. He urges them to attend church and Sunday school regularly, and to meet their responsibilities in the classroom.

Moser is a credit to the coaching profession and fortunate is the school that claims his service.

CAMPUS CLOSE-UP

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the National Intercollegiate Tournament for Women; tied for Low Amateur in the National Women's Open Tournament in Wichita, Kansas; placed third in the All-American at Tam O'Shanter in the Amateur Women's Division; and placed second in the Amateur Women's Division of the World's Championship Tournament at Tam O'Shanter.

The University of Redlands has more than thirty active Alumni Chapters including groups in New York, Chicago, and Hawaii. Among the Alumni are men and women who have distinguished themselves in nearly every industrial, business, and artistic field, including a former Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, a United States Ambassador, and a member of Congress.

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MISSOURI VALLEY

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Nesmith, a 2-year man in football and track, carries a B average in the classroom.

SPINNING OUR SPOOKS — NCAA statistics for November 7 reveal that Oklahoma leads the nation in total offense after 6 games, is tops in rushing offense, while on defense the Sooners are third in total, ninth in forward pass defense and fifth in punting. . . . Interestingly enough, they aren't even listed in the top 15 of passing or the top ten in rushing defense. . . . Individually, Clendon Thomas is the only Sooner listed and he's fourteenth in rushing . . . or another way of saying, balance still is the criterion of a winning football team. . . .

"I never want to lose my enthusiasm about football and winning," saying which Vince DiFrancesca handed in his resignation as head football coach at Iowa State after three years. In that period Di, who is quick with the quip on the banquet circuit, has managed to win only three games. . . . Thoughts in the midland turn now to basketball and in the Big Seven, to Wilt Chamberlain, the Kansas giant and how to stop him. . . . Houston, who already this calendar year has won the basketball championship, tennis and golf is nailing down the football diadem in the Missouri Valley Conference. . . .

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